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A Houma man was arrested Friday evening in connection with a rape investigation, Sheriff Vernon Bourgeois said.

An adult female filed a complaint with TPSO on July 24, 2011 in reference to being raped. She reported that she attended a party with several friends at a residence in Gray and after consuming a large amount of alcoholic beverages fell asleep at the friend's residence. She further reported that she was awakened by being sexually assaulted. She fought off the suspect and reported the incident to TPSO. She was treated and released from a local hospital and did not suffer any major physical injuries.

The suspect was later identified as Brandon Powell, 19, of 122 Harding Drive in Houma. He was questioned by detectives Friday evening. Powell admitted to engaging in sexual intercourse with the victim although she was incapacitated and unable to resist. He was arrested and charged with one count of simple rape. He was transported to the Terrebonne Parish Criminal Justice Complex where he was booked. His bond was set at \$50,000. Powell has no known previous criminal history.

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