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COLUMBIA, S.C. – Patrick Chase Massey, an inmate at Ridgeland Correctional Institution, died at the Jasper County prison last night.

Massey, 34, was found unresponsive in his cell after an apparent fight. His cellmate was treated at the prison for non-life-threatening wounds consistent with a fight. Massey was pronounced dead at the prison. An autopsy will be performed.

Massey's death is being investigated as a suspected homicide by the SCDC Inspector General's office with assistance from the S.C. Law Enforcement Division Crime Scene unit and the Jasper County Coroner.