

HB 301 -- RESISTING OR INTERFERING WITH ARREST

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This bill specifies that a person commits the offense of resisting arrest by fleeing in a motor vehicle if he or she resists an arrest, stop, or detention by fleeing from law enforcement in a motor vehicle and, during the course of fleeing, drives at a speed or in a manner that demonstrates a disregard for the safety of a person or property, including that of the pursuing officer or other occupants of the fleeing vehicle. The offense of resisting arrest by fleeing in a motor vehicle is a class E felony. For a second or subsequent conviction, it is a class D felony.

If, during the commission of resisting arrest by fleeing in a motor vehicle, serious bodily injury or death to another person, including any officer, results, the person is guilty of the offense of aggravated resisting arrest by fleeing in a motor vehicle, which is a class D felony. For a second or subsequent conviction, it is a class C felony.

A prosecuting attorney shall not be required to prove that the defendant knew why he or she was being stopped, arrested, or detained.

This bill is similar to HCS HB 1620 (2020).