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91ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 575, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to eluding a law enforcement official, with penalty provisions.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 575, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 575.155, to read as follows:

575.155. 1. A person commits the crime of eluding a law enforcement official if such person:

(1) Operates a motor vehicle after receiving a clearly visible flashing or revolving light and an audible signal, such as a red light and a siren, from a law enforcement official driving a motor vehicle, directing the person to bring the motor vehicle to a stop where such law enforcement official has a reasonable suspicion that a law or local ordinance has been violated; and

(2) Purposely increases the speed of the motor vehicle or extinguishes the lights of the motor vehicle for the purpose of eluding such law enforcement official; or

(3) Purposely attempts in any other manner to elude the law enforcement official; or

(4) Does elude such law enforcement official.

2. Knowingly eluding a law enforcement official is a class D felony when the person eludes a law enforcement official by operating a motor vehicle and such operation presents a substantial risk of serious bodily injury or death to any person, and in all other cases knowingly eluding a law enforcement official is a class

A misdemeanor.

3. Nothing in this section shall be construed to bar civil suits for unlawful arrest.

4. As used in this section, "law enforcement official" means anyone defined as a peace officer in section 590.100, RSMo.

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