

# FINAL BILL REPORT

## SSB 5367

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Synopsis as Enacted

**Brief Description:** Clarifying penalties for failure to obey an officer.

**Sponsors:** Senate Committee on Law & Justice (originally sponsored by Senators Smith and Roach).

**Senate Committee on Law & Justice**

**House Committee on Law & Justice**

**Background:** The current motor vehicle code provides that a person shall not wilfully fail or refuse to comply with any lawful order or direction of any duly authorized flagman, police officer, or fire fighter who is directing traffic. It is also unlawful for any driver to refuse, when requested by a police officer, to give his name and address. Although these statutes are specified to constitute crimes, no penalty is established.

**Summary:** The crime of wilfully failing or refusing to comply with a lawful order of a flagman, police officer or fire fighter is a misdemeanor.

It is a misdemeanor for a driver to refuse to provide his or her name and address when requested by a police officer.

**Votes on Final Passage:**

Senate	49	0
House	96	1

**Effective:** July 23, 1995