

2023 Kansas Statutes

- 21-5904. Interference with law enforcement.** (a) Interference with law enforcement is:
- (1) Falsely reporting to a law enforcement officer, law enforcement agency or state investigative agency:
 - (A) That a particular person has committed a crime, knowing that such information is false and intending that the officer or agency shall act in reliance upon such information;
 - (B) that a law enforcement officer has committed a crime or committed misconduct in the performance of such officer's duties, knowing that such information is false and intending that the officer or agency shall act in reliance upon such information;
 - (C) any information, knowing that such information is false and intending to influence, impede or obstruct such officer's or agency's duty; or
 - (D) any information concerning the death, disappearance or potential death or disappearance of a child under the age of 13, knowing that such information is false and intending that the officer or agency shall act in reliance upon such information;
 - (2) concealing, destroying or materially altering evidence with the intent to prevent or hinder the apprehension or prosecution of any person;
 - (3) knowingly obstructing, resisting or opposing any person authorized by law to serve process in the service or execution or in the attempt to serve or execute any writ, warrant, process or order of a court, or in the discharge of any official duty; or
 - (4) knowingly fleeing from a law enforcement officer, other than fleeing by operation of a motor vehicle, when the law enforcement officer has:
 - (A) Reason to stop the person under K.S.A. 22-2402, and amendments thereto; and
 - (B) given the person visual or audible signal to stop.
- (b) Interference with law enforcement as defined in:
- (1) Subsection (a)(1)(A) and (a)(1)(B) is a:
 - (A) Class A nonperson misdemeanor, except as provided in subsection (b)(1)(B); and
 - (B) severity level 8, nonperson felony in the case of a felony;
 - (2) subsection (a)(1)(C) is a:
 - (A) Class A nonperson misdemeanor, except as provided in subsection (b)(2)(B); and
 - (B) severity level 9, nonperson felony in the case of a felony;
 - (3) subsection (a)(1)(D) is a severity level 8, nonperson felony;
 - (4) subsection (a)(2) is a:
 - (A) Class A nonperson misdemeanor, except as provided in subsection (b)(4)(B); and
 - (B) severity level 8, nonperson felony in the case of a felony;
 - (5) subsection (a)(3) is a:
 - (A) Severity level 9, nonperson felony in the case of a felony, or resulting from parole or any authorized disposition for a felony; and
 - (B) class A nonperson misdemeanor in the case of a misdemeanor, or resulting from any authorized disposition for a misdemeanor, or a civil case; and
 - (6) subsection (a)(4) is a:
 - (A) Class A nonperson misdemeanor in the case of a misdemeanor, or resulting from any authorized disposition for a misdemeanor, or a civil case;
 - (B) severity level 7, nonperson felony in the case of a felony, or resulting from parole or any authorized disposition for a felony; and
 - (C) severity level 5, nonperson felony if the offender discharged or used a firearm while fleeing.

History: L. 2010, ch. 136, § 129; L. 2012, ch. 150, § 20; L. 2013, ch. 133, § 6; L. 2014, ch. 95, § 2; L. 2023, ch. 94, § 5; July 1.