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## **Putting the Brakes on Reckless Driving**

**Madison** – Today, Senate Bill 514 authored by State Senator Dan Knodl (R – Germantown) and State Representative Bob Donovan (R – Greenfield) was signed into law by Governor Evers. Senate Bill 514 increases penalties for fleeing an officer.

As a result, fleeing an officer will become a Class H felony. If fleeing an officer causes bodily harm or property damage, it will be a Class G felony, and a Class E felony with a mandatory minimum of 1.5 years to a maximum of 15 years of imprisonment if it causes great bodily harm to another.

“I would like to thank Governor Evers for signing this bill and recognizing the severity of the problem going on in the Milwaukee Metro Area. I also want to thank Rep. Bob Donovan for all the work he has done in the Assembly to get this bill across the finish line.

“Once again, the legislature responded to the concerns of the citizens. I now implore the county district attorneys and judges in the area to take these dangerous individuals off the streets and ensure that once arrested they are put away for a significant amount of time.”

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*The 8<sup>th</sup> Senate District includes portions of Washington, Waukesha, Ozaukee, and Milwaukee Counties.*