

# House Research Act Summary

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## Overview

This law provides a gross misdemeanor penalty when a person who is grossly negligent in causing a fire to burn or get out of control causes bodily harm to another.

- 1** **Negligent fire resulting in injury or property damage.** Specifies that a gross misdemeanor penalty applies when a person who is grossly negligent in causing a fire to burn or get out of control causes bodily harm to another. “Bodily harm” has the meaning given in the criminal code: namely, “physical pain or injury, illness, or any impairment of physical condition.” Makes other technical changes.

Effective August 1, 2003, and applies to crimes committed on or after that date.