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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to resisting an officer or other
3 specified person without violence; amending s. 843.02,
4 F.S.; providing that resistance, obstruction, or
5 opposition must be based on factors other than mere
6 flight from an officer or other person to whom this
7 section applies; providing an effective date.
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9 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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11 Section 1. Section 843.02, Florida Statutes, is amended to
12 read:

13 843.02 Resisting officer or other such person without
14 violence to his or her person.—Whoever shall resist, obstruct,
15 or oppose any officer as defined in s. 943.10(1), (2), (3), (6),
16 (7), (8), or (9); member of the Parole Commission or any
17 administrative aide or supervisor employed by the commission;
18 county probation officer; parole and probation supervisor;
19 personnel or representative of the Department of Law
20 Enforcement; or other person legally authorized to execute
21 process in the execution of legal process or in the lawful
22 execution of any legal duty, without offering or doing violence
23 to the person of the officer or other such person, commits ~~shall~~
24 ~~be guilty of~~ a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as
25 provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083. For purposes of this
26 section, resistance, obstruction, or opposition must be based on
27 factors other than mere flight from an officer or other person
28 to whom this section applies.

29 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2011.