MEMORANDUM DECISION

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COURT OF APPEALS OF INDIANA

Patrick Austin Driscoll, Appellant-Defendant,

v.

State of Indiana, Appellee-Plaintiff January 13, 2023

Court of Appeals Case No. 22A-CR-1878

Appeal from the Morgan Superior Court

The Honorable Sara A. Dungan, Judge

Trial Court Cause No. 55D03-1911-F6-2011

Crone, Judge.

[1] Driscoll was convicted of level 6 felony resisting law enforcement and level 6 felony neglect of a dependent. The trial court sentenced him to consecutive

terms of two and a half years, with one and a half years suspended, for each conviction. In this appeal, Driscoll contends that the resulting five-year aggregate sentence exceeds the consecutive sentencing limitation for convictions arising out of a single episode of criminal conduct in Indiana Code Section 35-50-1-2. We note that the statute's limitations do not apply to "crimes of violence." Ind. Code § 35-50-1-2(c). Resisting law enforcement as a felony is a crime of violence. Ind. Code § 35-50-1-2(a)(19). Because one of Driscoll's convictions is a crime of violence, Section 35-50-1-2 does not apply to Driscoll's consecutive terms. *See Johnson v. State*, 749 N.E.2d 1103, 1110 (Ind. 2001) ("[T]he limitations the statute imposes on consecutive sentencing do not apply between crimes of violence and those that are not crimes of violence."); *Williams v. State*, 42 N.E.3d 107, 110 n.2 (Ind. Ct. App. 2015) (observing that because Williams was convicted of class D felony resisting law enforcement, which is a crime of violence, the consecutive sentencing limitations in Section 35-50-1-2 did not apply), *trans. denied*. We therefore affirm Driscoll's sentence.

[2] Affirmed.

May, J., and Weissmann, J., concur.