

HB 176 -- Amber Alert System

Sponsor: Bland

This bill establishes a statewide Amber Alert system to aid law enforcement in locating an abducted person. The bill creates an advisory board, consisting of the Attorney General and representatives from law enforcement, the media, and citizens from each local Amber Alert system, to assist in the implementation of the program. The Department of Public Safety will coordinate the operation of the statewide system. Local Amber Alert systems must become compliant with the statewide system by January 1, 2004.