

MISSISSIPPI CODE

Title 45. Public Safety and Good Order

Chapter 1. Department of Public Safety

Section 45-1-151. Blue alert program established; definitions; activation; termination of activation

- (1) There is established a statewide alert system known as "Blue Alert" which shall be developed and implemented by the Bureau of Investigation of the Department of Public Safety.
- (2) As used in this section, unless the context requires a different definition, the following terms shall have the following meanings:
 - (a) "Law enforcement agency" means a law enforcement agency with jurisdiction over the search for a suspect in a case involving the death or serious injury of a peace officer.
 - (b) "Peace Officer" means a law enforcement officer as defined in Section 45-6-3.
 - (c) "Director" means the director of the Bureau of Investigation.
- (3) The "Blue Alert" system may be activated when a suspect for a crime involving the death or serious injury of a peace officer has not been apprehended, and law enforcement personnel have determined that the suspect may be a serious threat to the public.
- (4) Upon notification by a law enforcement agency that a suspect in a case involving the death or serious injury of a peace officer has not been apprehended and may be a serious threat to the public, the director shall activate the "Blue Alert" system and notify appropriate participants in the "Blue Alert" system, as established by rule, if:
 - (a) A law enforcement agency believes that a suspect has not been apprehended;
 - (b) A law enforcement agency believes that the suspect may be a serious threat to the public; and
 - (c) Sufficient information is available to disseminate to the public that could assist in locating the suspect.

The area of the alert may be less than statewide if the director determines that the nature of the event makes it probable that the suspect did not leave a certain geographic location.

- (5) Before requesting activation of the "Blue Alert" system, a law enforcement agency shall verify that the criteria described by this section have been satisfied. The law enforcement agency shall assess the appropriate boundaries of the alert based on the nature of the suspect and the circumstances surrounding the crime.

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(6) The director shall terminate any activation of the "Blue Alert" system with respect to a particular suspect if:

- (a) The suspect is located or the incident is otherwise resolved; or
- (b) The director determines that the "Blue Alert" system is no longer an effective tool for locating the suspect.

(7) Any entity or individual involved in the dissemination of a "Blue Alert" generated pursuant to this section shall not be liable for any civil damages arising from that dissemination.

▶ <http://law.justia.com/codes/mississippi/2014/title-45/chapter-1/blue-alert-system/section-45-1-151>

STATE OF MISSOURI

Title XL.

Additional Executive Departments

Chapter 650

650.520. Law enforcement, suspects in the killing or seriously wounding of, alert system created — department to develop and administer — false report, penalty. —

1. There is hereby created a statewide program called the “Blue Alert System” referred to in this section as the “system” to aid in the identification, location, and apprehension of any individual or individuals suspected of killing or seriously wounding any local, state, or federal law enforcement officer.
2. For the purposes of this section, “law enforcement officer” means any public servant having both the power and duty to make arrests for violations of the laws of this state, and federal law enforcement officers authorized to carry firearms and to make arrests for violations of the laws of the United States.
3. The department of public safety shall develop regions to provide the system. The department of public safety shall coordinate local law enforcement agencies and public commercial television and radio broadcasters to provide an effective system. In the event that a local law enforcement agency opts not to set up a system and a killing or serious wounding of a law enforcement officer occurs within the jurisdiction, it shall notify the department of public safety who will notify local media in the region.
4. The blue alert system shall include all state agencies capable of providing urgent and timely information to the public together with broadcasters and other private entities that volunteer to participate in the dissemination of urgent public information. At a minimum, the blue alert system shall include the department of public safety, highway patrol, department of transportation, and Missouri lottery.
5. The department of public safety shall have the authority to develop, implement, and manage the blue alert system.
6. Participation in a blue alert system is entirely at the option of local law enforcement agencies, federally licensed radio and television broadcasters, and other private entities that volunteer to participate in the dissemination of urgent public information.

7. Any person who knowingly makes a false report that triggers an alert under this section is guilty of a class A misdemeanor; except that, if the false report results in serious physical injury or death, such person is guilty of a class E felony.

8. The department of public safety may promulgate rules for the implementation of the blue alert system. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2017, shall be invalid and void.

(L. 2017 S.B. 34)

► <http://revisor.mo.gov/main/OneSection.aspx?section=650.520&bid=34725&hl=>

STATE OF MONTANA

Title 44. Law Enforcement § 44-2-801

Blue alert program

- (1) There is a state alert system known as the blue alert program within the department of justice.
- (2) Upon request by a law enforcement agency, the department may activate the blue alert program if the department determines that:
 - (a) a peace officer has been killed or seriously injured in the line of duty;
 - (b) an individual suspected to have caused the death or injury is at large;
 - (c) a law enforcement agency has determined that the individual referred to in subsection (2)(b) poses a serious threat to the public, other peace officers, or both; and
 - (d) sufficient information exists about the individual referred to in subsection (2)(b) or about the death or injury so that the activation of the program would materially assist in the capture of the individual.
- (3) Upon activation of the blue alert program, the department shall notify the following entities in the state or area in which the alert is established:
 - (a) all law enforcement agencies;
 - (b) individuals who, because of their proximity to the geographic area in which the death or injury occurred, may have observed the death or injury or the escape of the individual referred to in subsection (2)(b) or may themselves become a victim of that individual;
 - (c) individuals who may have a special relationship to the individual referred to in subsection (2)(b), such as a relative of that individual or a peace officer or other person within the criminal justice system who knows the individual; and
 - (d) other persons who the department determines would benefit from the notice.

(4) The department shall terminate the blue alert when it determines that the individual referred to in subsection (2)(b) has been apprehended or when it determines that the blue alert will no longer materially assist in the capture of the individual.

(5) The department shall adopt rules to implement this section.

(6) As used in this section, the following definitions apply:

(a) "Law enforcement agency" has the meaning provided in 44-11-303 .

(b) "Peace officer" has the meaning provided in 46-1-202 .

▶ <https://codes.findlaw.com/mt/title-44-law-enforcement/mt-code-ann-sect-44-2-801.html>

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL STATUTES

Chapter 143B. Executive Organization Act of 1973

Article 13. Department of Public Safety

Part 5. Division of Emergency Management

Subpart B. North Carolina Center for Missing Persons

Section 143B-1023. North Carolina Blue Alert System established

- (a) There is established within the North Carolina Center for Missing Persons the Blue Alert System. The purpose of the Blue Alert System is to aid in the apprehension of a suspect who kills or inflicts serious bodily injury on a law enforcement officer by providing a statewide system for the rapid dissemination of information regarding the suspect. The term “serious bodily injury” is as defined in G.S. 14-32.4(a).
- (b) The Center shall make every effort to rapidly disseminate information on a suspect when the following criteria are met:
- (1) A law enforcement officer is killed or suffers serious bodily injury.
 - (2) A law enforcement agency with jurisdiction (i) determines that the suspect poses a threat to the public and other law enforcement personnel and (ii) possesses information that may assist in locating the suspect, including information regarding the suspect’s vehicle, complete or partial license plate information, and a detailed description of the suspect, or that a law enforcement officer is missing while on duty under circumstances warranting concern for the law enforcement officer’s safety.
 - (3) The head of a law enforcement agency with jurisdiction recommends the issuance of a blue alert to the Center.
- (c) The Center shall adopt guidelines and develop procedures for the statewide implementation of the Blue Alert System and shall provide education and training to encourage radio and television broadcasters to participate in the alert.
- (d) The Center shall consult with the Department of Transportation and develop a procedure for the use of overhead permanent changeable message signs to provide information on a suspect when the criteria established in subsection (b) of this section are met. The Center and the Department of Transportation shall develop guidelines for the content, length, and frequency of any message to be placed on the overhead permanent changeable message sign pursuant to the issuance of a blue alert.
- (e) The Center shall consult with the Division of Emergency Management in the Department of Public Safety to develop a procedure for the use of the Blue Alert System to provide information on a suspect when the criteria established in subsection (b) of this section are met.

► http://www.ncleg.net/EnactedLegislation/Statutes/PDF/BySection/Chapter_143B/GS_143B-1023.pdf

NORTH DAKOTA CENTURY CODE

Title 54. State Government

Chapter 54-12. Attorney General

Section 54-12-32. Blue alert notice system

1. Upon the request of a law enforcement agency that is investigating an offense against a law enforcement officer, the bureau of criminal investigation shall activate a blue alert public notice to aid in the apprehension of an individual who is a suspect in an offense if:
 - a. An individual has threatened a law enforcement officer with a deadly weapon, has used a deadly weapon against a law enforcement officer, has caused a law enforcement officer to suffer serious bodily injury or death, or the officer has been abducted or is missing while on duty;
 - b. The individual has fled the scene of the offense and a description of the individual or the individual's vehicle is available for broadcast;
 - c. The law enforcement agency investigating the offense has determined the individual poses a threat to the public or other law enforcement personnel; and
 - d. Dissemination of available information to the public may help avert further harm or assist in the apprehension of the suspect.
2. The bureau of criminal investigation, in cooperation with the highway patrol and the division of state radio of the department of emergency services, shall prepare an operational plan to prepare for and respond to requests for activation of a blue alert notice.
3. As used in this section, the term "blue alert notice" means a quick response and notice that is issued after an individual has threatened a law enforcement officer with a deadly weapon, used a deadly weapon against a law enforcement officer, caused a law enforcement officer to suffer serious bodily injury or death, or the officer has been abducted or is missing while on duty, and the individual has left the scene of the offense.

► <http://www.legis.nd.gov/cencode/t54c12.pdf>

OHIO REVISED CODE

Title [55] LV. ROADS. Highways - Bridges
Chapter 5502. Department of Public Safety

Section 5502.53. Statewide blue alert program

(A) As used in this section:

“Cable system” has the meaning defined in section 2913.04 of the Revised Code.

“Law enforcement agency” means an organization or unit made up of law enforcement officers as defined in section 2901.01 of the Revised Code.

(B) There is created the statewide blue alert program that consists of a statewide system for the rapid dissemination of information to speed the apprehension of persons suspected of killing or seriously injuring law enforcement officers and to aid in the location of missing law enforcement officers. The governor shall organize the program as a coordinated effort among the governor’s office, the department of public safety, the attorney general, law enforcement agencies, the state’s public and commercial television and radio broadcasters, the state’s cable systems, and others as considered necessary by the governor.

(C) A statewide blue alert shall be activated if all of the following activation criteria are met:

- (1) A local law enforcement agency confirms that a law enforcement officer has been seriously injured or killed, and a suspect has not been apprehended, or that a law enforcement officer is missing while on duty under circumstances warranting concern for the law enforcement officer’s safety.
- (2) There is sufficient descriptive information about the suspect or the circumstances surrounding a law enforcement officer’s injury, death, or disappearance to indicate that activation of the alert may help locate a suspect or a missing law enforcement officer.

Nothing in this division prevents the activation of a local or regional emergency alert program that may impose different criteria for the activation of a local or regional emergency alert.

(D) A radio broadcast station, television broadcast station, or cable system participating in the statewide blue alert program, and a director, officer, employee, or agent of a station or system participating in the program, is immune from liability for damages for any loss allegedly caused by or resulting from the station’s or system’s broadcast or cablecast of, or failure to broadcast or cablecast, any information pursuant to the statewide blue alert program.

(E) The statewide blue alert program shall be operated in such a manner that it complements and does not conflict with similar federal alert programs.

► <http://codes.ohio.gov/orc/5502>

OKLAHOMA STATUTES

Title 47. Motor Vehicles

Chapter 2. The Department of Public Safety

Section 47-2-316. Oklahoma Blue Alert Act

- A. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Oklahoma Blue Alert Act".
- B. As used in this act, "law enforcement officer" means any duly appointed person who is charged with the responsibility of maintaining public order, safety and health by the enforcement of all laws, ordinances or orders of this state or any of its political subdivisions and who is authorized to bear arms in execution of his or her responsibilities including reserve force deputies, reserve municipal police officers and tribal law enforcement officers who are commissioned pursuant to an agreement authorized by Section 1221 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes.
- C. The Department of Public Safety shall develop and implement a statewide blue alert system. The statewide blue alert system shall be designed to rapidly disseminate useful information in a predetermined manner to statewide media outlets.
- D. The Commissioner of Public Safety shall be the statewide coordinator of the blue alert system. The Commissioner shall adopt rules and issue directives as necessary to ensure proper implementation of the alert. An Oklahoma Blue Alert shall be activated only in accordance with policies established by the Department of Public Safety and if all of the following conditions apply:
1. A law enforcement officer has been killed or seriously injured and the law enforcement agency investigating the incident has information identifying an individual as a suspect connected to the incident;
 2. The law enforcement agency that is investigating the suspect determines that the suspect poses a serious risk or threat to the public and other law enforcement personnel;

3. The law enforcement agency investigating the suspect has obtained either:
 - a. the name of the suspect,
 - b. a detailed physical description of the suspect, or
 - c. a description of the vehicle of the suspect, vehicle registration plate numbers or letters or partial vehicle registration plate numbers or letters; and
 4. The law enforcement agency investigating the suspect recommends that the Department of Public Safety activate the Blue Alert.
- E. The Commissioner may notify authorities and entities outside the State of Oklahoma upon verification that the criteria established under this section have been met.
- F. The Commissioner shall annually review the function of the blue alert system and revise its criteria and procedures to provide for efficient and effective statewide public notification.

► <http://www.oscn.net/applications/oscn/DeliverDocument.asp?CiteID=478532>

2014 RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS

Title 42 - State Affairs and Government

Chapter 42-28 - State Police

Section 42-28-3.5 - Blue Alert system.

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§ 42-28-3.5 Blue Alert system.

(a) There is established a state-wide alert system known as "Blue Alert" which shall be developed and implemented by the division of state police.

(b) As used in this section, the term:

(1) "Law enforcement agency" means a law enforcement agency with jurisdiction over the search for a suspect in a case involving the death or serious injury of a peace officer or an agency employing a peace officer who is missing in the line of duty;

(2) "Peace officer" means a person who is certified to exercise the powers of arrest.

(c) The "Blue Alert" system may be activated when a suspect for a crime involving the death or serious injury of a peace officer has not been apprehended and law enforcement personnel have determined that the suspect may be a serious threat to the public and also when a peace officer becomes missing while in the line of duty under circumstances warranting concern for such peace officer's safety.

(d) Upon notification by a law enforcement agency that a suspect in a case involving the death or serious injury of a peace officer has not been apprehended and may be a serious threat to the public, or that a police officer is missing in the line of duty under circumstances warranting concern for such peace officer's safety, the division shall activate the "Blue Alert" system and notify appropriate participants in the "Blue Alert" system, as established by rule, if:

(1) A law enforcement agency believes that a suspect has not been apprehended;

(2) A law enforcement agency believes that the suspect may be a serious threat to the public; and

(3) Sufficient information is available to disseminate to the public that could assist in locating the suspect, or the missing peace officer. The area of the alert may be less than statewide if the division determines that the nature of the event makes it probable that the suspect did not leave a certain geographic location.

- (e) Before requesting activation of the "Blue Alert" system, a law enforcement agency shall verify that the criteria described in subsection (d) of this section has been satisfied. The law enforcement agency shall assess the appropriate boundaries of the alert based on the nature of the suspect and the circumstances surrounding the crime or the last known location of the missing peace officer.
- (f) The division shall terminate the "Blue Alert" with respect to a particular incident if:
 - (1) The suspect or peace officer is located or the incident is otherwise resolved; or
 - (2) The division determines that the "Blue Alert" system is no longer an effective tool for locating the suspect or peace officer. Law enforcement agencies shall notify the division immediately when the suspect is located and in custody or the peace officer is found.
- (i) Any entity or individual involved in the dissemination of a "Blue Alert" generated pursuant to this section shall not be liable for any civil damages arising from such dissemination.

► <https://law.justia.com/codes/rhode-island/2014/title-42/chapter-42-28/section-42-28-3.5/>

SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS

Title 23. Law Enforcement and Public Safety

Chapter 3. South Carolina Law Enforcement Division

Article 16. Blue Alert Program

Section 23-3-1400. Blue alert program established; adoption of guidelines and procedures

(A) The “Blue Alert Program” is established within the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED). The purpose of the program is to assist law enforcement in the apprehension of a suspect who allegedly kills, seriously injures, or abducts a law enforcement officer by rapidly disseminating information regarding the suspect, and to reduce the suspect’s ability to flee thereby posing a serious threat to the safety of others.

(B) SLED shall adopt guidelines and establish procedures for issuing a blue alert, including the rapid dissemination of information regarding a suspect through the use of the South Carolina Department of Transportation’s electronic traffic signage system and other law enforcement mechanisms. The Chief of SLED shall act as the program’s statewide coordinator.

(C) To aid in hindering a suspect’s ability to flee and threaten citizens, communities, and other law enforcement personnel, SLED shall encourage and recruit television and radio broadcasters and other organizations to assist in the program by quickly disseminating information regarding the suspect.

(D) A blue alert may be issued if:

- (1) a local, state, or federal law enforcement officer is killed, seriously injured, or abducted; and
- (2) the law enforcement agency of jurisdiction:
 - (a) determines that a suspect poses a serious risk or threat to the public and other law enforcement personnel;
 - (b) possesses sufficient information that could assist in locating the suspect, including information regarding the suspect’s vehicle; and
 - (c) recommends the issuance of a blue alert to SLED.

(E) SLED may issue a blue alert upon confirmation of the requirements of subsection (D). Upon issuance of a blue alert, information that could assist in locating a suspect may be displayed across the State via the South Carolina Department of Transportation's electronic traffic signage system and other law enforcement mechanisms. Also, the information may be disseminated to organizations assisting with the program.

(F) A blue alert may be canceled at the request of the law enforcement agency of jurisdiction or by the Chief of SLED when appropriate.

► <http://www.scstatehouse.gov/code/t23c003.php>

TENNESSEE CODE

Title 38 - Prevention And Detection Of Crime
Chapter 6 - Tennessee Bureau of Investigation
Part 1 - General Provisions

Section 38-6-122. Blue Alert system

- (a) There is established within the Tennessee bureau of investigation (TBI) the Blue Alert system. The purpose of the Blue Alert system is to provide a statewide system for the rapid dissemination of information to speed the apprehension of violent criminals who kill or seriously injure law enforcement officers and to aid in the location of missing law enforcement officers.
- (b) If the TBI receives a report that involves the death or serious injury of a law enforcement officer in which the suspect has not been apprehended or involves a law enforcement officer missing while in the line of duty under circumstances warranting concern for such law enforcement officer's safety, the TBI shall issue an alert providing for rapid dissemination of information statewide regarding such suspect or law enforcement officer, as appropriate. The TBI shall make every effort to disseminate the information as quickly as possible when the status of the suspect or missing law enforcement officer has been reported to a law enforcement agency.
- (c) The TBI shall adopt uniform guidelines and procedures for issuing an alert for such persons and shall provide education and training to encourage radio and television broadcasters to participate in the alert. The guidelines and procedures shall ensure that specific health information about any suspect or law enforcement officer is not made public through the alert or otherwise.
- (d) The TBI shall consult with the department of transportation and develop a procedure for the use of overhead permanent changeable message signs to provide information on a missing suspect or law enforcement officer meeting the criteria of this section when information is available that would enable motorists to assist in the recovery of the missing person. The TBI and the department of transportation shall develop guidelines for the content, length, and frequency of any message to be placed on an overhead permanent changeable message sign.
- (e) The TBI may use the statewide infrastructure of the America's Missing Broadcast Emergency Response (AMBER) Alert to the extent permissible to facilitate the Blue Alert system.
- (f) Any entity or individual involved in the dissemination of a Blue Alert generated pursuant to this section shall not be liable for any civil damages arising from such dissemination.

► <http://law.justia.com/codes/tennessee/2015/title-38/chapter-6/part-1/section-38-6-122/>

TEXAS

Government Code 411.443

Subchapter P

Blue Alert System

Sec. 411.441. DEFINITIONS. In this subchapter:

- (1) "Alert system" means the statewide blue alert system that is developed and implemented under this subchapter.
- (2) "Law enforcement agency" means a law enforcement agency with jurisdiction over the investigation of an alleged offense that resulted in the death or serious bodily injury of a law enforcement officer.
- (3) "Law enforcement officer" means a person who is a peace officer under Article 2.12, Code of Criminal Procedure, or a person who is a federal law enforcement officer, as defined by 5 U.S.C. Section 8331(20).
- (4) "Serious bodily injury" has the meaning assigned by Section 1.07, Penal Code.

Added by Acts 2017, 85th Leg., R.S., Ch. 417 (S.B. 1138), Sec. 1, eff. September 1, 2017.

Sec. 411.442. BLUE ALERT SYSTEM. With the cooperation of the Texas Department of Transportation, the office of the governor, and other appropriate law enforcement agencies in this state, the department shall develop and implement a statewide blue alert system to be activated to aid in the apprehension of an individual suspected of killing or causing serious bodily injury to a law enforcement officer.

Added by Acts 2017, 85th Leg., R.S., Ch. 417 (S.B. 1138), Sec. 1, eff. September 1, 2017.

Sec. 411.443. ADMINISTRATION. (a) The director is the statewide coordinator of the alert system.

(b) The director shall adopt rules and issue directives as necessary to ensure proper implementation of the alert system. The rules and directives must include:

- (1) the procedures to be used by a law enforcement agency to verify whether:
 - (A) an individual is suspected of killing or causing serious bodily injury to a law enforcement officer and is not yet apprehended; and
 - (B) the activation of the alert system would aid in the apprehension of that individual;
- (2) a description of the circumstances under which a law enforcement agency is required to report a missing suspect to the department; and
- (3) the procedures to be used by an individual or entity to report information about a missing suspect to designated media outlets in Texas.

(c) The director shall prescribe forms for use by law enforcement agencies in requesting activation of the alert system.

Added by Acts 2017, 85th Leg., R.S., Ch. 417 (S.B. 1138), Sec. 1, eff. September 1, 2017.

Sec. 411.444. DEPARTMENT TO RECRUIT PARTICIPANTS. The department shall recruit public and commercial television and radio broadcasters, private commercial entities, state or local governmental entities, the public, and other appropriate persons to assist in developing and implementing the alert system.

Added by Acts 2017, 85th Leg., R.S., Ch. 417 (S.B. 1138), Sec. 1, eff. September 1, 2017.

Sec. 411.445. STATE AGENCIES. (a) A state agency participating in the alert system shall:

- (1) cooperate with the department and assist in developing and implementing the alert system; and
- (2) establish a plan for providing relevant information to its officers, investigators, or employees, as appropriate, once the alert system has been activated.

(b) In addition to its duties as a state agency under Subsection (a), the Texas Department of Transportation shall establish a plan for providing relevant information to the public through an existing system of dynamic message signs located across the state.

Added by Acts 2017, 85th Leg., R.S., Ch. 417 (S.B. 1138), Sec. 1, eff. September 1, 2017.

Sec. 411.446. NOTIFICATION TO DEPARTMENT. (a) A law enforcement agency that receives notice of an individual who is suspected of killing or causing serious bodily injury to a law enforcement officer and who has not yet been apprehended shall:

- (1) confirm the accuracy of the information; and
- (2) if the agency believes the missing suspect poses a threat to other law enforcement officers and to the public, provide notice to the department.

(b) A law enforcement agency providing notice to the department under Subsection (a) shall include with that notice a detailed description of the missing suspect and, if applicable, any available portion of the license plate number of a motor vehicle being used by the suspect.

Added by Acts 2017, 85th Leg., R.S., Ch. 417 (S.B. 1138), Sec. 1, eff. September 1, 2017.

Sec. 411.447. ACTIVATION OF BLUE ALERT SYSTEM. (a) When a law enforcement agency notifies the department under Section 411.446, the department shall confirm the accuracy of the information and, if confirmed, immediately issue an alert through the alert system in accordance with department rules.

(b) In issuing the alert, the department shall send the alert to designated media outlets in Texas. Following receipt of the alert, participating radio stations and television stations and other participating media outlets may issue the alert at designated intervals to assist in locating the missing suspect.

(c) The department shall also send the alert to:

- (1) any appropriate law enforcement agency;
- (2) the Texas Department of Transportation; and
- (3) a state agency described by Section 411.445.

Added by Acts 2017, 85th Leg., R.S., Ch. 417 (S.B. 1138), Sec. 1, eff. September 1, 2017.

Sec. 411.448. CONTENT OF ALERT. The alert must include:

- (1) all appropriate information that is provided by the law enforcement agency under Section 411.446 and that may lead to the apprehension of the missing suspect; and
- (2) a statement instructing any person with information related to the missing suspect to contact a law enforcement agency.

Added by Acts 2017, 85th Leg., R.S., Ch. 417 (S.B. 1138), Sec. 1, eff. September 1, 2017.

Sec. 411.449. TERMINATION OF ALERT SYSTEM. (a) The director shall terminate any activation of the alert system with respect to a particular missing suspect not later than the earlier of the date on which:

- (1) the missing suspect is apprehended;
- (2) the department receives evidence that the missing suspect has left this state; or
- (3) the department determines that the alert system will no longer aid in the apprehension of the missing suspect.

(b) A law enforcement agency that apprehends a missing suspect who is the subject of an alert under this subchapter shall notify the department as soon as possible that the missing suspect has been apprehended.

Added by Acts 2017, 85th Leg., R.S., Ch. 417 (S.B. 1138), Sec. 1, eff. September 1, 2017.

► <https://statutes.capitol.texas.gov/Docs/GV/htm/GV.411.htm#411.443>



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