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# HOUSE BILL NO. 697

99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

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## AN ACT

To repeal section 210.1014, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to the Amber Alert System.

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*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Section 210.1014, RSMo, is repealed and two new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 210.1014 and 210.1016, to read as follows:

210.1014. 1. There is hereby created the "Amber Alert System Oversight Committee", whose primary duty shall be to develop criteria and procedures for the Amber alert system and shall be housed within the department of public safety. The committee shall regularly review the function of the Amber alert system and revise its criteria and procedures in cooperation with the department of public safety to provide for efficient and effective public notification **and meet at least annually to discuss potential improvements to the Amber alert system.** As soon as practicable, the committee shall adopt criteria and procedures to expand the Amber alert system to provide urgent public alerts related to homeland security, criminal acts, health emergencies, and other imminent dangers to the public health and welfare.

2. The Amber alert system oversight committee shall consist of ten members of which seven members shall be appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. Such members shall represent the following entities: two representatives of the Missouri Sheriffs' Association; two representatives of the Missouri Police Chiefs Association; one representative of small market radio broadcasters; one representative of large market radio broadcasters; one representative of television broadcasters. The director of the department of public safety shall

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

16 also be a member of the committee and shall serve as chair of the committee. Additional  
17 members shall include one representative of the highway patrol and one representative of the  
18 department of health and senior services.

19 3. Members of the oversight committee shall serve a term of four years, except that  
20 members first appointed to the committee shall have staggered terms of two, three, and four years  
21 and shall serve until their successor is duly appointed and qualified.

22 4. Members of the oversight committee shall serve without compensation, except that  
23 members shall be reimbursed for their actual and necessary expenses required for the discharge  
24 of their duties.

25 5. The Amber alert system oversight committee shall promulgate rules for the  
26 implementation of the Amber alert system. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined  
27 in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become  
28 effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if  
29 applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the  
30 powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective  
31 date or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of  
32 rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2003, shall be invalid  
33 and void.

**210.1016. 1. The provisions of this section shall be known and may be cited as**  
2 **"Hailey's Law".**

3 **2. The Amber alert system shall be integrated into the Missouri uniform law**  
4 **enforcement system (MULES) and Regional Justice Information Service (REJIS) to**  
5 **expedite the reporting of child abductions.**

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