A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

- 1 SECTION 1. The state civil defense division with the 2 cooperation of each respective county's police departments, 3 local broadcasters, and other relevant and appropriate state and 4 county agencies, shall develop and implement a statewide silver 5 alert program to be activated on behalf of a missing senior 6 citizen in the appropriate county. 7 SECTION 2. To the greatest extent possible, the silver 8 alert program shall be integrated with the preexisting Maile 9 Amber Alert program and partnership. 10 SECTION 3. A silver alert shall be issued if the following 11 criteria are met: 12 (1) A county police department receives notice of a 13 missing senior citizen from the family or legal 14 guardian of the missing senior citizen;
- 15 (2) The senior citizen is domiciled in Hawaii, but the current location of the senior citizen is unknown;

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| 1 | (3) | The senior citizen has an impaired mental condition, |
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| 2 | | which can be documented by the family, legal guardian, |
| 3 | | or physician of the missing senior citizen; and |
| 4 | (4) | Sufficient information is provided that indicates that |
| 5 | | the senior citizen's disappearance poses a credible |
| 6 | | threat to the health and safety of the senior citizen. |
| 7 | SECTION 4. The silver alert shall include all appropriate | |
| 8 | information provided by the respective county's police | |
| 9 | departmen | t, information that may lead to the safe recovery of |
| 10 | the missing senior citizen, and a statement instructing any | |
| 11 | person with information related to the missing senior citizen to | |
| 12 | contact a local law enforcement agency and the contact | |
| 13 | information for that agency. | |
| 14 | SECTION 5. For purposes of this Act, "silver alert" means | |
| 15 | the countywide silver alert for missing senior citizens | |
| 16 | developed and implemented by this Act. | |
| 17 | "Loc | al law enforcement agency" means a law enforcement |
| 18 | agency wi | th jurisdiction over the investigation of a missing |
| 19 | senior citizen. | |
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- 1 "Senior citizen" means a person who is sixty-five years of
- 2 age or older.
- 3 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2012.

Report Title:

Notification; Silver Alert

Description:

Creates and implements a silver alert program to alert the public of any missing senior citizen with an impaired mental condition, to be operated concurrently with the Maile Amber Alert program. Effective July 1, 2012. (HB771 HD1)

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