

---

---

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO SAFETY.

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

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 28, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended  
2 by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to  
3 read as follows:

4           "§\_\_\_\_\_ **Silver Alert System.** The state civil defense  
5 division with the cooperation of each respective county's police  
6 departments, local broadcasters, and other relevant and  
7 appropriate state and county agencies, shall develop and  
8 implement a statewide silver alert program to be activated on  
9 behalf of a missing senior citizen in the appropriate county.  
10 To the greatest extent possible, the silver alert program shall  
11 be integrated with the preexisting Maile Amber Alert program and  
12 partnership. (1) A silver alert shall be issued if the  
13 following criteria are met:

14           (a) A county police department receives notice of a  
15 missing senior citizen from the family or legal guardian of the  
16 missing senior citizen;

17           (b) The senior citizen is domiciled in Hawaii, but the  
18 current location of the senior citizen is unknown;



1 (c) There is reasonable suspicion that the senior citizen  
2 has an impaired mental condition, which can be proved by the  
3 family, legal guardian, or physician of the missing senior  
4 citizen; and

5 (d) Sufficient information is provided that indicates that  
6 the senior citizen's disappearance poses a credible threat to  
7 the health and safety of the senior citizen.

8 (2). The silver alert shall include all appropriate information  
9 provided by the respective county's police department,  
10 information that may lead to the safe recovery of the missing  
11 senior citizen, and a statement instructing any person with  
12 information related to the missing senior citizen to contact a  
13 local law enforcement agency and the contact information for  
14 that agency.

15 (3) For purposes of this Section:

16 (a) "Silver alert" means the countywide silver alert for  
17 missing senior citizens developed and implemented by this Act;

18 (b) "Local law enforcement agency" means a law enforcement  
19 agency with jurisdiction over the investigation of a missing  
20 senior citizen;

21 (c) "Senior citizen" means a person who is sixty-five  
22 years of age or older.



1 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed.

2 New statutory material is underscored.

3 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2014.

4

5

INTRODUCED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

Jim [Signature]  
Keith Lukens  
Richard [Signature]  
Ken [Signature]  
RL [Signature]  
Guthrie [Signature]  
Jim [Signature]

JAN 17 2014



**Report Title:**

Silver Alert System

**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.

*The summary description of legislation appearing on this page is for informational purposes only and is not legislation or evidence of legislative intent.*

