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H. R. 501

To amend the Anti Car Theft Act of 1992 to provide for the establishment of a toll-free telephone number for the reporting of stolen and abandoned passenger motor vehicles, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 4, 1997

Mr. ACKERMAN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Car Find Act of
5 1996”.

1 **SEC. 2. ESTABLISHMENT OF TOLL-FREE TELEPHONE NUM-**
2 **BER FOR REPORTING OF STOLEN AND ABAN-**
3 **DONED VEHICLES.**

4 Title I of the Anti Car Theft Act of 1992 (106 Stat.
5 3384–3389) is amended by adding at the end the follow-
6 ing:

7 **“Subtitle D—Reporting of Stolen**
8 **and Abandoned Vehicles**

9 **“SEC. 151. ESTABLISHMENT OF TOLL-FREE TELEPHONE**
10 **NUMBER.**

11 “(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 1 year after
12 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Attorney Gen-
13 eral shall establish and publicize a toll-free telephone num-
14 ber that individuals may use to report that their passenger
15 motor vehicle has been stolen and that individuals may
16 use to report the location of any abandoned passenger
17 motor vehicle.

18 “(b) USE OF INFORMATION.—The Attorney General
19 shall use information obtained through the use of the toll-
20 free telephone number to assist Federal, State, and local
21 law enforcement officials, insurance carriers, and other ap-
22 propriate persons.

23 “(c) FEES.—The Attorney General is authorized to
24 collect fees from insurance carriers and other appropriate
25 persons to offset the costs of establishing and maintaining

1 the toll-free telephone number. Such fees shall be depos-
2 ited in the general fund of the Treasury.

3 “(d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
4 is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section
5 amounts equivalent to the amounts collected in fees pursu-
6 ant to subsection (c), as well as such other sums as may
7 be necessary.”.

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