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109<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
1<sup>ST</sup> SESSION

## H. R. 96

To amend section 302 of the PROTECT Act to modify the standards for the issuance of alerts through the AMBER Alert communications network.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 4, 2005

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

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## 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 “Tory Jo’s Loophole  
5 AMBER Response Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR ISSUANCE AND DIS-**  
7 **SEMINATION OF ALERTS THROUGH AMBER**  
8 **ALERT COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK.**

9 Section 302(b) of the PROTECT Act (42 U.S.C.  
10 5791a(b)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

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1           “(5) The minimum standards shall, to the maximum extent practicable (as determined by the Coordinator in consultation with State and local law enforcement agencies), allow local law enforcement officials to issue, and to provide for the dissemination of, an alert through the AMBER Alert communications network to facilitate the recovery of an abducted newborn.”.

9 **SEC. 3. DEFINITION.**

10           Title III of the PROTECT Act (42 U.S.C. 5791 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

12 **“SEC. 306. DEFINITION.**

13           “For purposes of this title, the term ‘child’ means—

14                   “(1) an individual under 18 years of age; or

15                   “(2) a newborn.”.

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