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H. R. 5464

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

AN ACT

To direct the Attorney General to make an annual grant to the A Child Is Missing Alert and Recovery Center to assist law enforcement agencies in the rapid recovery of missing children, and for other purposes.

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

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “A Child Is Missing
3 Alert and Recovery Center Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. DIRECTING THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO MAKE AN-**
5 **NUAL GRANTS TO A CHILD IS MISSING ALERT**
6 **AND RECOVERY CENTER TO ASSIST LAW EN-**
7 **FORCEMENT AGENCIES IN RECOVERING**
8 **MISSING CHILDREN.**

9 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Attorney General, acting
10 through the Administrator of the Office of Juvenile Jus-
11 tice and Delinquency Prevention, shall annually make a
12 grant to the A Child Is Missing Alert and Recovery Cen-
13 ter.

14 (b) SPECIFIED USE OF FUNDS FOR RECOVERY AC-
15 TIVITIES, REGIONAL CENTERS, EDUCATION, AND INFOR-
16 MATION SHARING.—A Child Is Missing Alert and Recov-
17 ery Center shall use the funds made available under this
18 Act—

19 (1) to operate and expand the A Child Is Miss-
20 ing Alert and Recovery Center to provide services to
21 Federal, State, and local law enforcement agencies
22 to promote the quick recovery of a missing child in
23 response to a request from such agencies for assist-
24 ance by utilizing rapid alert telephone calls, text
25 messaging, and satellite mapping technology;

1 (2) to maintain and expand technologies and
2 techniques to ensure the highest level of performance
3 of such services;

4 (3) to establish and maintain regional centers
5 to provide both centralized and on-site training and
6 to distribute information to Federal, State, and local
7 law enforcement agency officials about how to best
8 utilize the services provided by the A Child Is Miss-
9 ing Alert and Recovery Center;

10 (4) to share appropriate information with the
11 National Center for Missing and Exploited Children,
12 the AMBER Alert Coordinator, and appropriate
13 Federal, State, and local law enforcement agencies;
14 and

15 (5) to assist the National Center for Missing
16 and Exploited Children, the AMBER Alert Coordi-
17 nator, and appropriate Federal, State, and local law
18 enforcement agencies with education programs.

19 **SEC. 3. DEFINITION OF MISSING CHILD.**

20 For purposes of this Act, the term “missing child”
21 means an individual whose whereabouts are unknown to
22 a Federal, State, or local law enforcement agency.

23 **SEC. 4. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

24 For grants under section 2, there are authorized to
25 be appropriated to the Attorney General \$5,000,000 for

1 each fiscal year from fiscal year 2009 through fiscal year
2 2014.

Passed the House of Representatives July 14, 2008.

Attest: LORRAINE C. MILLER,
Clerk.

By ROBERT F. REEVES,
Deputy Clerk.