

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

HOUSE BILL 2774

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60th Legislature
2008 Regular Session

AMBER ALERTS--FALSE OR MISLEADING STATEMENTS

EFFECTIVE DATE: 06/12/08

Passed by the House March 10, 2008
Yeas 95 Nays 0

FRANK CHOPP

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Passed by the Senate March 7, 2008
Yeas 42 Nays 0

BRAD OWEN

President of the Senate

Approved March 20, 2008, 11:24 a.m.

CHRISTINE GREGOIRE

Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

I, Barbara Baker, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **HOUSE BILL 2774** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

BARBARA BAKER

Chief Clerk

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March 21, 2008

**Secretary of State
State of Washington**

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AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

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By Representatives Barlow, O'Brien, Warnick, Ormsby, Seaquist,
Moeller, Morrell, and Kelley

Read first time 01/16/08. Referred to Committee on Public Safety &
Emergency Preparedness.

1 AN ACT Relating to making a false or misleading material statement
2 that results in an Amber alert; adding a new section to chapter 9A.76
3 RCW; and prescribing penalties.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 9A.76 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 (1) A person who, with the intent of causing an activation of the
8 voluntary broadcast notification system commonly known as the "Amber
9 alert," or as the same system may otherwise be known, which is used to
10 notify the public of abducted children, knowingly makes a false or
11 misleading material statement to a public servant that a child has been
12 abducted and which statement causes an activation, is guilty of a class
13 C felony.

14 (2) "Material statement" means a written or oral statement
15 reasonably likely to be relied upon by a public servant in the
16 discharge of his or her official powers or duties.

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