

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR
SENATE BILL 816

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[crimes and punishments - false crime reports -
effective date]

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2001, Section 589, is amended to read as follows:

Section 589. A. It shall be unlawful to willfully, knowingly and without probable cause make a false report to any person of any crime or circumstances indicating the possibility of crime having been committed, ~~including the unlawful taking of personal property,~~ which report causes or encourages ~~the exercise of police~~ any law enforcement agency, court, or state or municipal agency to take action or, conduct an investigation, and any activate an early alert warning system, or exercise other authority or services in response to such report.

B. Any person convicted of violating the provisions hereof any provision of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than ninety (90) days or by a fine of not more than in an amount not exceeding Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), or by both such fine and imprisonment. Any person convicted of a violation of this section based upon a false report of a missing child causing an activation of the AMBER Alert System in this state shall be punished by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than ninety (90) days, or by a fine in an amount not exceeding One

Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00), or by both such fine and imprisonment.

C. In addition to any criminal penalty imposed, a person convicted of any violation of the provisions of this section may be ordered to reimburse all costs incurred by any person or agency as a result of responding to the false report.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2005.

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