

ENROLLED HOUSE
BILL NO. 1294

By: Lamons, Duncan, Hilliard,
Ingmire, Nance, Sherrer,
Wesselhoft, Winchester,
Wright, McDaniel, Shumate
and Shelton of the House

and

Gumm and Jolley of the
Senate

An Act relating to crimes and punishments; amending
21 O.S. 2001, Section 589, which relates to false
reporting of a crime; prohibiting false report of
missing child that activates AMBER alert warning
system; providing penalties; and providing an
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 action or
investigation, ~~and any.~~ Any person convicted of violating the
provisions hereof of this subsection shall be guilty of a
misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished punishable
by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than ninety (90)
days or by a fine of not more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00),
or by both such fine and imprisonment.

B. It shall be unlawful to willfully, knowingly, and without
probable cause communicate false information concerning a missing
child to a law enforcement agency that causes or encourages the
activation of an AMBER alert warning system. Any person convicted
of violating the provisions of this subsection shall be guilty of a
misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment in the county jail for not
more than one (1) year or by a fine of not less than One Thousand
Dollars (\$1,000.00), or by both such fine and imprisonment.

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

Passed the House of Representatives the 20th day of April, 2005.

Presiding Officer of the House of
Representatives

Passed the Senate the 11th day of April, 2005.

Presiding Officer of the Senate