

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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HOUSE
RESOLUTION 1055

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AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution stating the need for an early warning system program known as a Silver Alert for senior citizens; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, many senior citizens of Oklahoma who suffer from various physical or mental health conditions may be at risk of endangering their health and life when outside of their familiar surroundings; and

WHEREAS, in the case of a senior citizen who has wandered away from their home and become disoriented with their surroundings, the first few hours are critical in finding the senior citizen; and

WHEREAS, to aid in the identification and location of the senior citizen, an early warning system program known as a "Silver Alert" may be developed to help locate the senior citizen; and

WHEREAS, a "Silver Alert" should be a coordinated effort among the Oklahoma Department of Public Safety, local law enforcement agencies, and media officials; and

WHEREAS, it is important to the health, safety, and welfare of the senior citizens of the State of Oklahoma to ensure that the early warning system is implemented statewide.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 50TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma Department of Public Safety, in partnership with local law enforcement agencies and media officials, may implement a statewide early warning system program known as a "Silver Alert".

THAT copies of this resolution be sent to the Commissioner of Public Safety, the Executive Director of the Oklahoma Chiefs of Police Association and the Executive Director of the Oklahoma Sheriffs' Association.

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