

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 51st Legislature (2007)

3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

4 FOR ENGROSSED

5 SENATE BILL NO. 371

By: Aldridge and Corn of the
Senate

6 and

7 Joyner of the House

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9 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

10 An Act relating to crimes and punishments; amending
11 21 O.S. 2001, Section 589, as amended by Section 1,
12 Chapter 109, O.S.L. 2005 (21 O.S. Supp. 2006, Section
13 589), which relates to false reporting of crimes;
14 modifying penalty for certain offense; and providing
15 an effective date.

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

17 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2001, Section 589, as
18 amended by Section 1, Chapter 109, O.S.L. 2005 (21 O.S. Supp. 2006,
19 Section 589), is amended to read as follows:

20 Section 589. A. It shall be unlawful to willfully, knowingly
21 and without probable cause make a false report to any person of any
22 crime or circumstances indicating the possibility of crime having
23 been committed, including the unlawful taking of personal property,
24 which report causes or encourages the exercise of police action or

1 investigation. Any person convicted of violating the provisions of
2 this subsection shall be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by
3 imprisonment in the county jail for not more than ninety (90) days
4 or by a fine of not more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), or by
5 both such fine and imprisonment.

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

14 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2007.

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