

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 52nd Legislature (2009)

3 HOUSE
4 RESOLUTION 1001

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7 AS INTRODUCED

8 A Resolution encouraging the Department of Public
9 Safety and others to implement an early warning
10 system program known as a Blue Alert; stating
11 purpose; and directing distribution.

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13 WHEREAS, brave and dedicated Oklahoma law enforcement officers
14 have been killed or injured in the line of duty by violent
15 criminals; and

16 WHEREAS, Oklahoma has an early warning system program used in an
17 "Amber Alert" and "Silver Alert" capable of the rapid dissemination
18 of vital information; and

19 WHEREAS, violent acts against law enforcement officials
20 occurring on Oklahoma roads make the rapid dissemination of
21 information critical to the apprehension of violent criminals; and

22 WHEREAS, use of Oklahoma's early warning system program would
23 assist in the apprehension of violent criminals who have killed or
24 seriously injured law enforcement officers; and

1 WHEREAS, to aid in the apprehension of violent criminals
2 responsible for the death or serious injury of local, state or
3 federal law enforcement officers, an early warning system program
4 known as a "Blue Alert" may be developed; and

5 WHEREAS, a "Blue Alert" early warning system program should be a
6 coordinated effort among the Oklahoma Department of Public Safety,
7 local law enforcement agencies, and media officials; and

8 WHEREAS, it is important to the safety of all Oklahoma citizens
9 to ensure the implementation of a statewide "Blue Alert" system.

10 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
11 OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 52ND OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

12 THAT the Oklahoma Department of Public Safety, in partnership
13 with local law enforcement agencies and media officials, is
14 encouraged to implement a statewide early warning system program
15 known as a "Blue Alert" to aid in the apprehension of violent
16 criminals responsible for the death or serious injury of local,
17 state or federal law enforcement officers.

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

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