

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 60th Legislature (2026)

SENATE BILL 2100

By: Deevers

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to crimes and punishments; stating legislative findings; stating purpose of act; amending 21 O.S. 2021, Section 589, as amended by Section 667, Chapter 486, O.S.L. 2025 (21 O.S. Supp. 2025, Section 589), which relates to false reporting; modifying elements of misdemeanor offense; creating felony offense; specifying punishments for certain offenses; updating statutory language; updating statutory reference; providing for noncodification; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

A. The Legislature finds that malicious false reporting of crimes:

1. Endangers innocent persons by provoking unwarranted law enforcement action;
2. Diverts limited public safety and investigative resources;
3. Undermines public trust in emergency response systems; and
4. Causes reputational, financial, and psychological harm to persons falsely accused.

1 B. The purpose of this act is to deter malicious false reports  
2 while preserving and protecting good-faith reporting of crimes and  
3 emergencies.

4 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2021, Section 589, as  
5 amended by Section 667, Chapter 486, O.S.L. 2025 (21 O.S. Supp.  
6 2025, Section 589), is amended to read as follows:

7 Section 589. A. It shall be unlawful to willfully, knowingly  
8 and without probable cause make a false report to any person of any  
9 crime or circumstances indicating the possibility of crime having  
10 been committed, including the unlawful taking of personal property,  
11 which report causes or encourages the exercise of police action or  
12 investigation. Any person convicted of violating the provisions of  
13 this subsection shall be guilty of a misdemeanor ~~punishable by~~  
14 ~~imprisonment in the county jail for not more than ninety (90) days~~  
15 ~~or by a fine of not more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), or by~~  
16 ~~both such fine and imprisonment~~ if the false report accused a person  
17 of a misdemeanor. Any person convicted of violating the provisions  
18 of this subsection shall be guilty of a felony if the false report  
19 accused a person of a felony. The punishments for such misdemeanor  
20 or felony shall be the same as the provisions for the offense in the  
21 false report.

22 B. It shall be unlawful to willfully, knowingly, and without  
23 probable cause communicate false information concerning a missing  
24 child to a law enforcement agency that causes or encourages the

1 activation of an AMBER alert warning system. Any person convicted  
2 of violating the provisions of this subsection shall be guilty of a  
3 Class D3 felony offense punishable by imprisonment as provided for  
4 in subsections B through ~~F~~ E of Section 20P of this title, or by a  
5 fine ~~of~~ not less than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), or by both  
6 such imprisonment and fine ~~and imprisonment~~.

7 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2026.

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