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L.D. 1210

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 854, L.D. 1210, Bill, "AN ACT Concerning Reports to the Federal Government Relating to Missing Children."

Amend the Bill by striking out all of the 3rd, 4th and 5th lines after the amending clause (page 1, lines 26 to 28 in L.D.) and inserting in their place the following:

'§2151. Missing children; information sent to National Crime Information Center'

Further amend the Bill in that part designated "§2151." by striking out all of subsection 2 (page 2, lines 9 to 16 in L.D.) and inserting in its place the following:

'2. Report. Upon receiving a report of a missing child, a law enforcement agency shall conduct a preliminary investigation to determine whether the child is missing. Within 48 hours of receiving the report, if the preliminary investigation reveals that there is probable cause to believe the child is missing, the agency shall immediately enter identifying and descriptive information about the missing child into the National Crime Information Center computer and into any state computer which the Commissioner of Public Safety may designate to receive that information. Law enforcement agencies having direct access to the National Crime Information Center computer shall enter and retrieve the data directly and shall cooperate in the entry and retrieval of data on behalf of law enforcement agencies which do not have direct access to the systems.'

Immediately after a missing child is located, the law

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1 enforcement agency which located or returned the
2 missing child shall notify the law enforcement agency
3 having jurisdiction over the investigation, and that
4 agency shall cancel the entry from the National Crime
5 Information Center computer.

6 STATEMENT OF FACT

7 The purpose of this amendment is to refer to the
8 proper federal agency for receiving missing children
9 information.

10 The amendment also more clearly spells out when
11 and how a law enforcement agency is to make a missing
12 child report.

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