

## CHAPTER 32

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**GOVERNMENT - STATE**


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## SENATE BILL 20-079

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## AN ACT

**CONCERNING THE METHOD OF NOTIFYING PEOPLE OF AMBER ALERTS TO PROMOTE THE LARGEST REACH OF COMMUNITY NOTIFICATIONS.**

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

**SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-33.5-415.7, **amend** (3) introductory portion, (3)(c), and (3)(e) as follows:

**24-33.5-415.7. Amber alert program.** (3) The program ~~shall~~ **MUST** consist of the following:

(c) The BUREAU SHALL SEND THE alert ~~shall be sent to the federal communications commission's designated state emergency alert system broadcaster in Colorado~~ UTILIZING TECHNOLOGICAL APPLICATIONS THAT PROMOTE THE LARGEST REACH OF COMMUNITY NOTIFICATIONS. Participating radio and television stations shall issue the alert at designated intervals as specified in rule.

(e) The alert shall be cancelled upon bureau notification ~~to the federal communications commission's designated state emergency alert system broadcaster~~ that the child has been found or at the end of the notification period, whichever occurs first. WHEN APPLICABLE, THE BUREAU SHALL USE THE SAME TECHNOLOGICAL APPLICATIONS DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (3)(c) OF THIS SECTION. Any local law enforcement agency that locates a child who is the subject of an alert shall notify the bureau as soon as possible that the child has been located.

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*Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material added to existing law; dashes through words or numbers indicate deletions from existing law and such material is not part of the act.*

**SECTION 2. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety.

Approved: March 20, 2020