

Bagger-Kyrillos' Legislation On AMBER Passes Senate

TRENTON — Legislation that would result in New Jersey joining more than two dozen other states in establishing an AMBER Alert statewide child abduction alert system passed the Senate on Thursday. It now goes to the Assembly for consideration.

The sponsors, Senator Richard H. Bagger (R-21) and Senator Joseph Kyrillos (R-13), said the AMBER Alert program has recently gained nationwide attention since being credited with helping to secure the safe return of 27 abducted children.

"The Republican Senate made enactment of an AMBER Alert law a top priority as a part of our 'Keep Kids Safe' package of bills unveiled in August. Time is of the essence. We need to see this legislation move through the process so that if tragedy should strike, we are fully ramped up to speed and ready to go," said Mr. Bagger.

"AMBER Alert can literally mean the difference between life and death for a kidnapped child. When a child is kidnapped, every second counts. Thanks to this legislation, New Jersey will soon be in position to broadcast vital information about an abducted child to eight million sets of eyes and ears within moments," noted Senator Kyrillos.

The AMBER Alert system, which stands for America's Missing: Broadcast Emergency Response, is named after nine-year-old Amber Hagerman, who was kidnapped and murdered in Texas in 1996.

"We want to make sure that if a child is snatched in our state, that our law enforcement officers have every tool at their disposal to track the perpetrator down. Broadcasting information about the suspect, the vehicle or means of abduction and the child's identifying information is a valuable tool for law enforcement," said Mr. Kyrillos.

According to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, in 75 percent of child abduction homi-

cides, the most serious cases, the child is dead within the first three hours.

"We can't afford to wait to establish this alert system," said Senator Bagger. "I encourage Governor McGreevey to reach out to our neighboring states, so that we may have a cooperative effort when using AMBER Alert. Crossing the state line shouldn't end our reach."

Mr. Bagger noted that the program is not intended for use to track run-aways or in cases of parental abduction, unless the life of the child is considered to be in grave danger.

"I have heard some people express concern that the Alert could be over-used and become less useful as a result. Rest assured, that will not be the case. This legislation calls for the creation of clear guidelines about how and when the Alert would be issued. In other states where AMBER Alert is already up and running, they have averaged about one Alert a month and the program has been very effective," said Senator Bagger.

Senator Kyrillos said the initiative calls for a cooperative effort between state and local law enforcement agencies and the broadcast media. Upon notification by the state police, the participating media outlets would transmit an emergency alert to inform the public of a child abduction.

"The public alert system is a proven tool in the race to find an abducted child before it's too late. It is time for New Jersey to adopt the necessary guidelines to get this kind of lifesaving program up and running in our state," added Mr. Kyrillos.

The senators also expressed their support for national bipartisan legislation which would provide \$25 million in federal matching grants to help buy electronic highway signs and other equipment for the implementation of AMBER Alert programs. The federal legislation was approved without dissent by the Senate on September 10.

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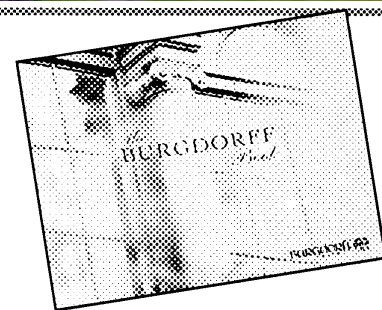
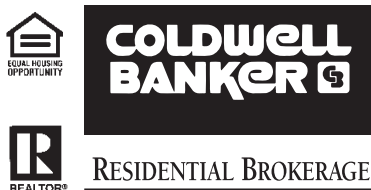
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