

119TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

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To amend Kristen’s Act to provide for the inclusion of information related to developmental disabilities, Alzheimer’s disease, and dementia in alerts issued through the Ashanti Alert communications network, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. SCHMITT introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Enhanced Alerts for
5 Missing Loved Ones with Disabilities Act of 2026”.

1 **SEC. 2. ALERTS FOR MISSING ADULTS WITH DEVELOP-**
2 **MENTAL DISABILITIES, ALZHEIMER'S DIS-**
3 **EASE, AND DEMENTIA.**

4 Section 204(b) of Kristen's Act (34 U.S.C. 21904(b))
5 is amended—

6 (1) in paragraph (1), by inserting after “(in-
7 cluding health care needs” the following: “and
8 whether the individual has a developmental disability
9 (as defined in section 102 of the Developmental Dis-
10 abilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act of 2000
11 (42 U.S.C. 15002)), Alzheimer's disease, or demen-
12 tia”; and

13 (2) in paragraph (3)(A), by striking “suffers
14 from a proven mental or physical disability” and in-
15 serting the following: “has been diagnosed with a
16 mental disability, a physical disability, a develop-
17 mental disability (as defined in section 102 of the
18 Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of
19 Rights Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C. 15002)), Alzheimer's
20 disease, or dementia”.

21 **SEC. 3. TRAINING RELATED TO DEVELOPMENTALLY DIS-**
22 **ABLED MISSING PERSONS.**

23 (a) **MISSING ADULTS.**—Section 206 of Kristen's Act
24 (34 U.S.C. 21906) is amended—

25 (1) in paragraph (1), by striking “and” at the
26 end;

1 (2) in paragraph (2), by striking the period at
2 the end and inserting “; and”; and

3 (3) by adding at the end the following:

4 “(3) training and educational programs related
5 to responding effectively to a reported missing adult
6 with a developmental disability (as defined in section
7 102 of the Developmental Disabilities Assistance
8 and Bill of Rights Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C.
9 15002)).”.

10 (b) MISSING CHILDREN.—Section 301(b) of the
11 PROTECT Act (34 U.S.C. 20501(b)) is amended—

12 (1) in paragraph (3), by striking “and” at the
13 end;

14 (2) in paragraph (4)(B), by striking the period
15 at the end and inserting “; and”; and

16 (3) by adding at the end the following:

17 “(5) provide training and educational programs
18 for use by States, territories of the United States,
19 and Tribal governments, related to responding effec-
20 tively to a reported missing child with a develop-
21 mental disability (as defined in section 102 of the
22 Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of
23 Rights Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C. 15002)).”.