

MICHIGAN BLUE ALERT ACT

Act 167 of 2015

AN ACT to prescribe the blue alert of Michigan as the official response to reports of serious injury or death of a law enforcement officer in certain circumstances; and to provide for the powers and duties of certain state and local governmental officers and entities.

History: 2015, Act 167, Eff. Feb. 1, 2016

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

28.691 Short title.

Sec. 1.

This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Michigan blue alert act".

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28.693 "Law enforcement officer" defined.

Sec. 3.

As used in this act, "law enforcement officer" means that term as defined in section 2 of the commission on law enforcement standards act, 1965 PA 203, MCL 28.602.

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28.695 Michigan blue alert plan; establishment and maintenance by department of state police; design.

Sec. 5.

(1) The department of state police shall establish and maintain the Michigan blue alert plan.

(2) The Michigan blue alert plan shall be designed to rapidly disseminate useful information in a predetermined manner to radio and television stations within this state.

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28.697 Activation; conditions.

Sec. 7.

A Michigan blue alert shall be activated only in accordance with policies established by the department of state police and if all of the following conditions apply:

(a) A law enforcement officer has been killed or seriously injured and the law enforcement agency investigating the incident has information identifying an individual as a suspect connected to the incident.

(b) The law enforcement agency that is investigating the suspect determines that the suspect poses a serious risk or threat to the public and other law enforcement personnel.

(c) The law enforcement agency investigating the suspect has obtained the suspect's name or can provide a detailed physical description of the suspect, or the suspect's vehicle, vehicle registration plate numbers or letters, or partial registration plate numbers or letters to be made available for broadcast to the public.

(d) The law enforcement agency investigating the suspect recommends that the state police activate the blue alert.

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