

1-1 By: Spiller, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Zaffirini) H.B. No. 908
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 3, 2025;
 1-3 April 3, 2025, read first time and referred to Committee on
 1-4 Criminal Justice; May 21, 2025, reported favorably by the
 1-5 following vote: Yeas 6, Nays 0; May 21, 2025, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-13	X			
1-14	X			

1-15 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-16 AN ACT

1-17 relating to the reporting by law enforcement agencies of missing
 1-18 children to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

1-19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-20 SECTION 1. Article 63.00905(a), Code of Criminal Procedure,
 1-21 as added by Chapter 729 (H.B. 2660), Acts of the 88th Legislature,
 1-22 Regular Session, 2023, is amended to read as follows:

1-23 (a) Regardless of the jurisdiction in which the child went
 1-24 missing, a law enforcement agency, on receiving a report of a
 1-25 missing child, shall:

1-26 (1) immediately start an investigation in order to
 1-27 determine the present location of the child;

1-28 (2) immediately, but not later than two hours after
 1-29 receiving the report, enter the name of the child into the
 1-30 clearinghouse and the national crime information center missing
 1-31 person file if the child meets the center's criteria, with all
 1-32 available identifying features such as dental records,
 1-33 fingerprints, other physical characteristics, and a description of
 1-34 the clothing worn when last seen, and all available information
 1-35 describing any person reasonably believed to have taken or retained
 1-36 the missing child;

1-37 (3) immediately, but not later than two hours after
 1-38 the agency receives the report, enter the applicable information
 1-39 into:

1-40 (A) the Texas Law Enforcement Telecommunications
 1-41 System or a successor system of telecommunication used by law
 1-42 enforcement agencies and operated by the Department of Public
 1-43 Safety; and

1-44 (B) the National Center for Missing and Exploited
 1-45 Children;

1-46 (4) not later than 48 hours after receiving the
 1-47 report, electronically submit to each municipal or county law
 1-48 enforcement agency within 200 miles the report and any information
 1-49 that may help determine the present location of the child;

1-50 (5) not later than the 30th day after the date the
 1-51 agency receives the report, enter the name of the child into the
 1-52 National Missing and Unidentified Persons System, with all
 1-53 available identifying features such as dental records,
 1-54 fingerprints, other physical characteristics, and a description of
 1-55 the clothing worn when last seen, and all available information
 1-56 describing any person reasonably believed to have taken or retained
 1-57 the missing child; and

1-58 (6) inform the person who filed the report of the
 1-59 missing child that the information will be:

1-60 (A) entered into the clearinghouse, the national
 1-61 crime information center missing person file, the National Center

2-1 for Missing and Exploited Children, and the National Missing and
2-2 Unidentified Persons System; and
2-3 (B) submitted to each municipal or county law
2-4 enforcement agency within 200 miles.
2-5 SECTION 2. Article 63.00905(a), Code of Criminal Procedure,
2-6 as added by Chapter 979 (S.B. 2429), Acts of the 88th Legislature,
2-7 Regular Session, 2023, is repealed as duplicative of Article
2-8 63.00905(a), Code of Criminal Procedure, as added by Chapter 729
2-9 (H.B. 2660), Acts of the 88th Legislature, Regular Session, 2023.
2-10 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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