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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
2 following:

3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 9A.76 RCW
4 to read as follows:

5 (1) A person who, with the intent of causing an activation of the
6 voluntary broadcast notification system commonly known as the "Amber
7 alert," or as the same system may otherwise be known, which is used to
8 notify the public of abducted children, knowingly makes a false or
9 misleading material statement to a public servant that a child has been
10 abducted and which statement causes an activation, is guilty of a class
11 C felony.

12 (2) "Material statement" means a written or oral statement
13 reasonably likely to be relied upon by a public servant in the
14 discharge of his or her official powers or duties."

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15 On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "alert;" strike the remainder
16 of the title and insert "adding a new section to chapter 9A.76 RCW; and
17 prescribing penalties."

EFFECT: Adds the requirement that to commit the crime, one must

intend to cause the activation of the Amber alert system.

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