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CONTENT

The bill would amend the Mozelle Senior or Vulnerable Adult Medical Alert Act to require the Department of State Police (MSP) to establish the missing senior or vulnerable adult medical alert system plan, which would have to rapidly disseminate useful information about a missing senior or vulnerable adult through the existing wireless emergency medical alert system.

Generally, the Act requires a law enforcement agency that receives notice of a missing senior or vulnerable adult from a person familiar with the senior or vulnerable adult to prepare a report on the senior or vulnerable adult. The report must include identifying information, such as a physical description and the last known sighting of the senior or vulnerable adult. Upon a report's completion, the agency must forward the information to other specified law enforcement agencies and broadcasters, among other entities.

Under the bill, the MSP would have to establish and maintain the missing senior or vulnerable adult medical alert system plan to rapidly disseminate the information described above in a predetermined manner to wireless devices through the existing wireless emergency medical alert system under Federal law. The plan could be activated only after a report was completed as described above and only in accordance with policies that the MSP established. The bill would require a law enforcement agency to notify the MSP of a missing senior or vulnerable adult upon a completed report and request that a medical alert be issued under the plan.

("Missing senior or vulnerable adult" means a resident of the State who is one of the following:

- -- At least 60 years of age and is believed to be incapable of returning to his or her residence without assistance and is reported missing by a person familiar with that individual.
- -- An individual age 18 or over who, because of age, developmental disability, mental illness, or physical disability requires supervision or personal care or lacks the personal and social skills required to live independently.
- -- A person who is missing and suffering from senility or a physical or mental condition that subjects the person or others to personal and immediate danger.)

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PREVIOUS LEGISLATION

(This section does not provide a comprehensive account of previous legislative efforts on this subject matter.)

The bill is a reintroduction of House Bill 5391 from the 2023-2024 Legislative Session

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would require the MSP to spend approximately \$20,000 (assumed General Fund/General Purpose) annually for costs associated with subscription fees/software for the Integrated Public Alert and Warning System alerting system platform, Crisis24 CodeRED, that would be used to issue emergency alerts and warnings.

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