

## **Kansas Purple Alert Plan; HB 2531**

**HB 2531** establishes the Kansas Purple Alert Plan (Purple Alert Plan). The bill requires the Purple Alert Plan to be established and implemented by the Office of the Attorney General in collaboration with the Kansas Bureau of Investigation, Kansas Highway Patrol, local law enforcement agencies, and other public and private agencies and organizations.

Under the Purple Alert Plan, public notice of a missing individual may be promptly broadcast and a search timely undertaken with the cooperation of local law enforcement, news media, and the general public in order to locate the individual in time to avoid serious harm or death. The Purple Alert Plan applies to individuals:

- Who are 18 years of age or older;
- Who have been diagnosed with an intellectual disability;
- Whose whereabouts are unknown;
- Who are believed to be in imminent danger of serious bodily injury or death because of their disability; and
- Who are believed to be unable to return to safety without assistance.