115th CONGRESS 1st Session

S.772

AN ACT

To amend the PROTECT Act to make Indian tribes eligible for AMBER Alert grants.

1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-

2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "AMBER Alert in In dian Country Act of 2017".
 SEC. 2. AMBER ALERT GRANTS FOR INDIAN TRIBES.
 Section 304 of the PROTECT Act (42 U.S.C. 5791c)

6 is amended—

7	(1) in subsection (a), by inserting "and Indian
8	tribes" after "States";

9 (2) in subsection (b)—

10 (A) in paragraph (3), by striking "and" at
11 the end;

12 (B) by redesignating paragraph (4) as13 paragraph (5); and

14 (C) by inserting after paragraph (3) the15 following:

16 "(4) the integration of State or regional
17 AMBER Alert communication plans with an Indian
18 tribe; and";

19 (3) in subsection (c)—

20 (A) by striking "The Federal" and insert-21 ing the following:

22 "(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para23 graph (2), the Federal"; and

(B) by adding at the end the following:
"(2) WAIVER OF FEDERAL SHARE.—If the Attorney General determines that an Indian tribe does

1 not have sufficient funds available to comply with 2 the Federal share requirement under paragraph (1)3 for the cost of activities funded by a grant for the 4 purpose described in subsection (b)(4), the Attorney 5 General may increase the Federal share of the costs 6 for such activities to the extent the Attorney General determines necessary.": 7 8 (4) in subsection (e), by striking "for grants 9 under" and inserting "and standards to improve ac-10 countability and transparency for grants awarded 11 under"; 12 (5) by redesignating subsection (f) as sub-13 section (g); 14 (6) by inserting after subsection (e) the fol-15 lowing: 16 "(f) DEFINITION OF INDIAN TRIBE.—In this section, 17 the term 'Indian tribe' means a federally recognized In-18 dian tribe or a Native village, Regional Corporation, or 19 Village Corporation (as those terms are defined in section 20 3 of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (43 U.S.C. 21 1602))."; and 22 (7) in subsection (g)(1), as so redesignated— (A) by striking "2004" each place it ap-23 pears and inserting "2018"; and 24

(B) by striking "subsection (b)(3)" and in serting "paragraphs (3) and (4) of subsection
 (b)".

4 SEC. 3. REPORT TO CONGRESS.

5 Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment 6 of this Act, the Attorney General shall submit a report 7 evaluating the readiness, education, and training needs, 8 technological challenges, and specific obstacles encoun-9 tered by Indian tribes in the integration of State or re-10 gional AMBER Alert communication plans to—

11	(1) the Committee on Indian Affairs of the Sen-
12	ate;
13	(2) the Committee on the Judiciary of the Sen-
14	ate;
15	(3) the Committee on Natural Resources of the
16	House of Representatives; and
17	(4) the Committee on the Judiciary of the
18	House of Representatives.
	Passed the Senate November 29, 2017.
	Attest:

Secretary.

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