

106<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 2780

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

OCTOBER 23 (legislative day, SEPTEMBER 22), 2000

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## AN ACT

To authorize the Attorney General to provide grants for organizations to find missing adults.

1        *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2        *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3        **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4        This Act may be cited as “Kristen’s Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. GRANTS FOR THE ASSISTANCE OF ORGANIZATIONS**  
2 **TO FIND MISSING ADULTS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Attorney General may make  
4 grants to public agencies or nonprofit private organiza-  
5 tions, or combinations thereof, for programs—

6 (1) to assist law enforcement and families in lo-  
7 cating missing adults;

8 (2) to maintain a national, interconnected data-  
9 base for the purpose of tracking missing adults who  
10 are determined by law enforcement to be endangered  
11 due to age, diminished mental capacity, or the cir-  
12 cumstances of disappearance, when foul play is sus-  
13 pected or circumstances are unknown;

14 (3) to maintain statistical information of adults  
15 reported as missing;

16 (4) to provide informational resources and re-  
17 ferrals to families of missing adults;

18 (5) to assist in public notification and victim  
19 advocacy related to missing adults; and

20 (6) to establish and maintain a national clear-  
21 inghouse for missing adults.

22 (b) REGULATIONS.—The Attorney General may make  
23 such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry  
24 out this Act.

1 **SEC. 3. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

2       There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out  
3 this Act \$1,000,000 each year for fiscal years 2001  
4 through 2004.

      Passed the House of Representatives October 19,  
2000.

Attest:

JEFF TRANDAHL,  
*Clerk.*

By MARTHA C. MORRISON,  
*Deputy Clerk.*