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Summary: Drones; aerial vehicles

A BILL TO AMEND ARTICLE 7, CHAPTER 11, TITLE 16 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO TRESPASSES AND UNLAWFUL USE OF LAND OF OTHERS, BY ADDING SECTION 16-11-605, TO PROVIDE THAT IT IS UNLAWFUL TO WILFULLY CAUSE OR ALLOW CERTAIN AERIAL VEHICLES, COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS DRONES, TO ENTER UPON OR ABOVE THE LAND OF ANOTHER, TO PROVIDE EXEMPTIONS, AND TO PROVIDE FOR PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS; TO AMEND CHAPTER 13, TITLE 17, RELATING TO ARREST, PROCESS, SEARCHES, AND SEIZURES, BY ADDING SECTION 17-13-180, TO PROVIDE THAT LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES MAY NOT USE CERTAIN AERIAL VEHICLES, COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS DRONES FOR INVESTIGATIVE PURPOSES WITHOUT A WARRANT, TO PROVIDE FOR EXCEPTIONS, TO PROVIDE FOR A CIVIL CAUSE OF ACTION FOR VIOLATIONS, AND TO PROVIDE THAT EVIDENCE OBTAINED IN VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION IS INADMISSIBLE.

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