Bill No.: SF0132 Effective: Immediately

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**Enrolled Act No.:** SEA No. 0058

Chapter No.: 112

**Prime Sponsor:** Jones

Catch Title: Protecting critical infrastructure and systems from drones.

**Has Report:** No

**Subject:** Prohibiting the use of unmanned aircraft systems over critical infrastructure.

## **Summary/Major Elements:**

• This act prohibits the operation or use of unmanned aircraft systems (including those with explosives) over critical infrastructure or a critical system to photograph the critical infrastructure or system, loiter over critical infrastructure, or to commit a crime.

- For purposes of this act, critical systems include petroleum and chemical facilities, water facilities, electric generation facilities, railroads, public safety facilities, correctional facilities, military installations, mines, and hospitals. Current law provides that critical infrastructure is any property or system that is vital to the security, health, and safety of the United States.
- The prohibitions in this act do not apply to persons authorized by the Federal Aviation Administration, governmental entities, law enforcement and emergency personnel, a private landowner, and the owner of the critical infrastructure.
- This act provides that a person who violates the prohibitions established in this act are guilty of a misdemeanor (for a first offense) or a felony (for a second or subsequent offense).
- The act authorizes peace officers and law enforcement to take or authorize the use of reasonable actions to prevent or stop the use of unmanned aircraft systems or model aircrafts that are violating the prohibitions established in this act.
- The act authorizes the Governor to order the Wyoming National Guard to assist in taking or using reasonable actions to prevent or stop unmanned aircraft systems that are violating this act. The act requires the Wyoming Attorney General to represent the Wyoming National Guard and law enforcement in litigation associated with their actions in enforcing this act.

## **Comments:**

• The Legislature overrode the Governor's veto of this act.

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