

HB274 ENGROSSED



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3 By Representative Simpson
4 RFD: Public Safety and Homeland Security
5 First Read: 15-Jan-26



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A BILL

TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

Relating to crimes and offenses; to add Section 13A-7-94.1 to the Code of Alabama 1975; to authorize the Department of Corrections to take certain actions regarding unmanned aircraft systems.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. Section 13A-7-94.1 is added to the Code of Alabama 1975, to read as follows:

§13A-7-94.1

(a) The Department of Corrections may take reasonable and necessary measures against an unmanned aircraft system operating in violation of this article, including, but not limited to, all of the following measures:

(1) Jamming, to the extent consistent with federal law and regulations, including those of the Federal Communications Commission.

(2) Hacking.

(3) Physical capture.

(4) Any other reasonable mitigation measure undertaken to neutralize, intercept, disable, or disrupt an unmanned aircraft system.



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(b) This section shall not be construed to eliminate, alter, or otherwise modify any other immunity or defense available to the Department of Corrections or its officers, employees, or agents established by law.

Section 2. This act shall become effective on June 1, 2026.



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House of Representatives

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41 Homeland Security
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50 Nays 0
51 Abstains 0
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