

## HB274 INTRODUCED



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SYNOPSIS:

Under existing law, persons are prohibited from operating unmanned aircraft systems within a certain distance of a correctional facility, with certain specified exemptions.

This bill would authorize the Department of Corrections to take reasonable and necessary measures against unmanned aircraft systems operating in violation of the prohibition against operating unmanned aircraft systems near a correctional facility.

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



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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.

(2) Hacking.

(3) Physical capture.

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

(b) The Department of Corrections and its officers, employees, and agents shall be exempt from liability for any injury or loss to any person or property, including any unmanned aircraft system, weapons, or contraband, resulting from measures undertaken pursuant to this section.

(c) 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.