



**House Transportation, Utilities and Infrastructure
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A BILL
TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

Relating to crimes and offenses; to amend Section 13A-7-4.3, Code of Alabama 1975, as last amended by Act 2025-64, 2025 Regular Session; to revise the crime of unauthorized entry to a critical infrastructure facility to remove reservoirs that meet the definition of public waters from the list of critical infrastructure facilities.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. Section 13A-7-4.3, Code of Alabama 1975, as last amended by Act 2025-64, 2025 Regular Session, is amended to read as follows:

"§13A-7-4.3

(a) For the purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

(1) CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE. A system or asset, whether physical or virtual, so vital to the United States that the incapacity or destruction of the system or asset would have a debilitating impact on security, national economic security, national public health, or national public safety.

(2) CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE FACILITY. The term includes, but is not limited to, any of the following,



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29 including any critical infrastructure located on or in any of
30 the following types of facilities:

- 31 a. A chemical, polymer, or rubber manufacturing
32 facility.
- 33 b. A pipeline.
- 34 c. A refinery.
- 35 d. An electrical power generating facility.
- 36 e. The area surrounding an electrical power generating
37 facility.
- 38 f. An electrical transmission tower.
- 39 g. An electrical substation or distribution substation.
- 40 h. An electric utility control center.
- 41 i. Electrical communication equipment.
- 42 j. An electrical switching station.
- 43 k. Electric power lines, power storage equipment, or
44 other utility equipment.
- 45 l. Any portion of a public water system or public
46 wastewater treatment system, except for any reservoir located
47 within 50 miles of the Gulf of America that meets the
48 definition of public waters pursuant to Section 9-11-80.
- 49 m. A natural gas transmission compressor station.
- 50 n. A liquefied natural gas (LNG) terminal or storage
51 facility.
- 52 o. A natural gas distribution facility, including, but
53 not limited to, a pipeline interconnection, a city gate or
54 town border station, a metering station, aboveground piping, a
55 regular station, or a natural gas or hydrocarbon storage or
56 production facility.



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57 p. A mining operation.

58 q. Beneficiation infrastructure or mining
59 infrastructure.

60 r. A transportation facility such as a port, airport,
61 railroad operating facility, or trucking terminal.

62 s. Communications service infrastructure or facilities,
63 as defined under Section 37-17-1.

64 t. A gas processing plant, including a plant used in
65 the processing, treatment, or fractionation of natural gas or
66 natural gas liquids.

67 u. A steelmaking facility that uses an electric arc
68 furnace.

69 v. A dam that is regulated by the state or federal
70 government.

71 w. A crude oil or refined products storage or
72 distribution facility, including, but not limited to, a valve
73 site, a pipeline interconnection, a pump station, a metering
74 station, below ground piping, above ground piping, or a truck
75 loading or offloading facility.

76 x. A defense contractor facility.

77 y. A pulp and paper manufacturing facility.

78 (3) FRAUDULENT DOCUMENTS FOR IDENTIFICATION PURPOSES. A
79 document that is presented as being a bona fide document that
80 provides personal identification information but which, in
81 fact, is false, forged, altered, or counterfeit.

82 (4) PERSON. An individual, trust, estate, corporation,
83 partnership, limited partnership, limited liability
84 partnership, limited liability company, or unincorporated



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85 nonprofit association having a separate legal existence under
86 state law.

87 (5) UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEM. A powered, aerial vehicle
88 that does not carry a human operator, uses aerodynamic forces
89 to provide vehicle lift, may fly autonomously through an
90 onboard computer or be piloted remotely, and may be expendable
91 or recoverable. The term does not include a satellite orbiting
92 the Earth or a spacecraft beyond Earth's atmosphere and may
93 not be construed to implicate the provider of a
94 telecommunications link between an owner or operator of an
95 unmanned aircraft system and the unmanned aircraft system.

96 (b) A person commits the crime of unauthorized entry of
97 a critical infrastructure facility if the person does any of
98 the following:

99 (1) Intentionally enters without authority into any
100 structure or onto any premises belonging to another that
101 constitutes in whole or in part a critical infrastructure
102 facility that is completely enclosed by any type of physical
103 barrier or clearly marked with a sign or signs that are posted
104 in a conspicuous manner and indicate that unauthorized entry
105 is forbidden.

106 (2) Uses or attempts to use a fraudulent document for
107 identification for the purpose of entering a critical
108 infrastructure facility.

109 (3) Remains on the premises of a critical
110 infrastructure facility after having been forbidden to do so,
111 either orally or in writing, by any owner, lessee, or
112 custodian of the property or by any other authorized person.



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113 (4) Intentionally enters into a restricted area of a
114 critical infrastructure facility which is marked as a
115 restricted or limited access area, or which is completely
116 enclosed by any type of physical barrier, when the person is
117 not authorized to enter the restricted or limited access area.

118 (c) A person who commits the crime of unauthorized
119 entry of a critical infrastructure facility is guilty of a
120 Class A misdemeanor.

121 (d) If a person intentionally, recklessly, or with
122 criminal negligence injures, removes, destroys, or breaks
123 critical infrastructure property, or otherwise interrupts or
124 interferes with the operations of a critical infrastructure
125 asset, the person is guilty of a Class C felony.

126 (e) A person who commits the crime of unauthorized
127 entry of a critical infrastructure facility while possessing
128 or operating an unmanned aircraft system with an attached
129 weapon, firearm, explosive, destructive device, or ammunition
130 is guilty of a Class C felony.

131 (f) Nothing in this section shall be construed to
132 prevent lawful assembly and peaceful and orderly petition for
133 the redress of grievances, including, but not limited to, any
134 labor dispute between any employer and its employee.

135 (g) Nothing in this section shall be construed to
136 prohibit the state, a county, or a municipality from taking
137 any lawful action on their respective rights-of-way.

138 (h) Nothing in subsection (b) or (d) shall apply to any
139 act committed by a person within the scope of his or her
140 employment. For purposes of this subsection, the scope of a



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141 person's employment shall include the performance of actions
142 that are necessary for the performance of a lawful work
143 assignment."

144 Section 2. This act shall become effective on October
145 1, 2026.