

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 155

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCMAKIN

CRIME: Provides relative to unlawful use of an unmanned aircraft system

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 14:337(A)(1)(b), relative to the unlawful use of an unmanned  
3 aircraft system; to provide relative to locations where the use of an unmanned  
4 aircraft system is prohibited; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 14:337(A)(1)(b) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §337. Unlawful use of an unmanned aircraft system

8 A.(1) Unlawful use of an unmanned aircraft system is any of the following:

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10 (b) The intentional use of an unmanned aircraft system, without the express  
11 written consent of the person in charge of the location, over the any of the following  
12 locations:

13 (i) The grounds of the state capitol, which shall include all of the following:

14 (aa) The state capitol building, including designated parking areas, the front  
15 steps, and patios, that is bounded on the north by Capitol Access Road, on the east  
16 by Veteran's Memorial Park and North Fifth Street, on the south by Capitol Gardens,  
17 and on the west by North Third Street.

18 (bb) The Capitol Annex Building, including designated parking areas, that  
19 is bounded on the north by the steps to the Claiborne Building, on the east by North  
20 Third Street, on the south by State Capitol Drive, and on the west by the Mississippi  
21 River.



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**DIGEST**

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HB 155 Engrossed

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**Abstract:** Adds locations where the unlawful use of an unmanned aircraft system is prohibited.

Present law provides for the crime of unlawful use of an unmanned aircraft system and provides for penalties.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law provides for locations where the unlawful use of an unmanned aircraft system is prohibited without express consent of the person in charge of that location.

Proposed law retains present law and adds the grounds of the state capitol as a prohibited location. Further provides for areas included within the grounds of the state capitol as follows:

- (1) The state capitol building, including designated parking areas, the front steps, and patios.
- (2) The Capitol Annex Building, including designated parking areas.
- (3) The Capitol Gardens, including designated parking areas.
- (4) The La. Pentagon Barracks, including designated parking areas.
- (5) Veteran's Memorial Park, including the Old Arsenal Museum.
- (6) The waters and banks or shorelines of Capitol Lake.
- (7) A.Z. Young Park.
- (8) The Claiborne Building and associated curtilage, including designated parking areas.
- (9) The parking garage and associated curtilage that is bounded on the north by State Capitol Dr., on the east by N. 6th St. on the south by Lakeland Dr., and on the west by N. 5th St.

(Amends R.S. 14:337(A)(1)(b))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to the original bill:

1. Add locations where the unlawful use of an unmanned aircraft system is prohibited without the express written consent of the person in charge of the location.