

113TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 1083

To amend the FAA Modernization and Reform Act of 2012 to establish prohibitions to prevent the use of an unmanned aircraft system as a weapon while operating in the national airspace system, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 12, 2013

Mr. BURGESS (for himself and Mr. GIBSON) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “No Armed Drones Act
5 of 2013” or the “NADA Act of 2013”.

6 **SEC. 2. UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subtitle B of title III of the FAA
8 Modernization and Reform Act of 2012 (126 Stat. 72; 49

1 U.S.C. 40101 note) is amended by adding at the end the
2 following:

3 **“SEC. 337. PROHIBITIONS TO PREVENT USE OF UNMANNED**
4 **AIRCRAFT SYSTEM AS A WEAPON WHILE OP-**
5 **ERATING IN NATIONAL AIRSPACE SYSTEM.**

6 “(a) PROHIBITIONS.—The Secretary of Transpor-
7 tation may not authorize a person to operate an unmanned
8 aircraft system in the national airspace system for the
9 purpose, in whole or in part, of using the unmanned air-
10 craft system as a weapon or to deliver a weapon against
11 a person or property.

12 “(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the following
13 definitions apply:

14 “(1) PERSON.—The term ‘person’ has the
15 meaning given that term in section 40102(a) of title
16 49, United States Code.

17 “(2) WEAPON.—The term ‘weapon’ includes le-
18 thal and nonlethal weapons.”.

19 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents
20 contained in section 1(b) of such Act is amended by insert-
21 ing after the item relating to section 336 the following:

“Sec. 337. Prohibitions to prevent use of unmanned aircraft systems as weap-
ons while operating in national airspace system.”.

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