113TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 5876

To amend the FAA Modernization and Reform Act of 2012 to prohibit
the flying of unmanned recreational aircraft near commercial airports.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 11, 2014

Mr. MEEKS introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee
on Transportation and Infrastructure

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A BILL

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to prohibit the flying of unmanned recreational aircraft
near commercial airports.

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 "Responsible Skies Act

5 of 2014".

6 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON THE FLYING OF UNMANNED REC-**

7   **REATIONAL AIRCRAFT NEAR COMMERCIAL**

8   **AIRPORTS.**

9   Section 333 of the FAA Modernization and Reform

10 Act of 2012 (49 U.S.C. 40101 note) is amended—

1   (1) in subsection (c) by striking the period at

2   the end and inserting ", including that the operator

3   of an unmanned recreational aircraft may not fly the

4   aircraft—

5   "(1) above 400 feet and within 5 miles of the perim-

6 eter of an airport that provides scheduled passenger air

7 transportation; or

8   "(2) where it may be seem from the perimeter of the

9 airport.".

10   (2) by inserting at the end the following:

11   "(d) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than one

12 year after the date of the enactment of this Act, and every

13 year thereafter, the Secretary shall submit to Congress a

14 report containing—

15   "(1) a description of any incident in which an

16   unmanned recreational aircraft flew above 400 feet

17   less than 5 miles from the perimeter of an airport

18   that provides scheduled passenger air transportation;

19   and

20   "(2) the action taken by the Secretary in re-

21   sponse to the incident.

22   "(e) DEFINITION OF UNMANNED RECREATIONAL

23 AIRCRAFT.—In this section, the term 'unmanned rec-

1 reational aircraft' means an unmanned aircraft flown for

2 hobby or recreational purposes.''.

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