

**DRAFT ONLY  
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INTRODUCTION**

HOUSE BILL NO.

Trespass by small unmanned aircraft.

Sponsored by: Joint Judiciary Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to crimes and offenses; creating the crime  
2 of trespass by small unmanned aircraft; providing a  
3 penalty; providing definitions; and providing for an  
4 effective date.

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6 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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8 **Section 1.** W.S. 6-3-308 is created to read:

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10 **W.S. 6-3-308. Trespass by small unmanned aircraft.**

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12 (a) A person is guilty of trespass by small unmanned  
13 aircraft if the person causes a small unmanned aircraft to

1 enter into the immediate reaches of the airspace over the  
2 private property of a landowner and the entry substantially  
3 interferes with the landowner's or his authorized  
4 occupant's use and enjoyment of the land. For purposes of  
5 this section "aircraft", "unmanned aircraft" and "small  
6 unmanned aircraft" means as defined in 14 C.F.R. 1.1 as of  
7 July 1, 2023.

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9 (b) Any person convicted of violating subsection (a)  
10 of this section shall be punished by a fine not to exceed  
11 seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750.00), by imprisonment not  
12 to exceed six (6) months, or both.

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16 **STAFF COMMENT**

17 **14 C.F.R. 1.1 provided the following definitions:**

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19 "Aircraft" means a device that is used or intended to be  
20 used for flight in the air.

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22 "Unmanned aircraft" means an aircraft operated without the  
23 possibility of direct human intervention from within or on  
24 the aircraft.

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26 "Small unmanned aircraft" means an unmanned aircraft  
27 weighing less than 55 pounds on takeoff, including  
28 everything that is on board or otherwise attached to the  
29 aircraft.

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1       **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2023.

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