

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

# HOUSE BILL NO. 930

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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JOSEPH ENGLER, Chief Clerk

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## AN ACT

To amend chapter 650, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to unmanned aircraft.

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*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Chapter 650, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be  
2 known as section 650.600, to read as follows:

**650.600. 1. This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Foreign  
2 Unmanned Aircraft Law".**

3 **2. As used in this section, the following terms mean:**

4 **(1) "Covered foreign entity", an individual, foreign government, or other entity:**

5 **(a) On the Consolidated Screening List or Entity List as designated by the  
6 United States Secretary of Commerce;**

7 **(b) Domiciled in the People's Republic of China or the Russian Federation;**

8 **(c) Under the influence or control of the government of the People's Republic of  
9 China or the Russian Federation; or**

10 **(d) That is a subsidiary or affiliate of an individual, government, or entity  
11 referred to in this subdivision;**

12 **(2) "Department", the department of public safety;**

13 **(3) "Director", the director of the department of public safety;**

14 **(4) "Public entity", the state of Missouri or a department or political subdivision  
15 of the state of Missouri, including all boards, authorities, commissions, agencies,  
16 committees, councils, universities, or other entities created by the Missouri constitution  
17 or by law;**

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets ~~thus~~ in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

18           **(5) "Small unmanned aircraft system" or "system", an unmanned powered**  
19 **aircraft that:**

20           **(a) Is operated without the necessity of direct human intervention from within or**  
21 **onboard the aircraft;**

22           **(b) May be expendable or recoverable; and**

23           **(c) Weighs less than fifty-five pounds, including the weight of anything attached**  
24 **to or carried by the aircraft.**

25           **3. (1) No public entity shall purchase or otherwise acquire a small unmanned**  
26 **aircraft system that is manufactured or assembled by a covered foreign entity.**

27           **(2) No state funds shall be used in connection with small unmanned aircraft**  
28 **systems manufactured or assembled by a covered foreign entity including, but not**  
29 **limited to, state funds awarded through a contract, grant, or cooperative agreement.**

30           **(3) Beginning May 1, 2027, no public entity shall operate a small unmanned**  
31 **aircraft system manufactured or assembled by a covered foreign entity.**

32           **(4) The director may waive the provisions of this subsection upon:**

33           **(a) His or her review of the necessity to purchase a small unmanned aircraft**  
34 **system that is manufactured or assembled by a covered foreign entity due to exigent**  
35 **circumstances, for purposes related to counter-unmanned aircraft systems, or for**  
36 **criminal investigative purposes; and**

37           **(b) Notification to the general assembly.**

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