BILL SUMMARY

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Impact: \$0 Immediate to the State

Research Analysis

The SA's to HB 2599 prohibits the operation of unmanned aircraft over a critical infrastructure facility if the unmanned aircraft is less than 400 feet above ground level. The measure defines critical infrastructure facilities. The measure exempts the government, law enforcement, the owner of the critical infrastructure facility, and operators authorized by the FAA to conduct operations over that airspace. Any person in violation may be civilly liable for damages to the critical infrastructure, the environment or human health.

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Fiscal Analysis

Limiting the use of unmanned aircraft is not anticipated to significantly impact state revenues, but violators may be civilly liable for damages.

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Other Considerations

None.

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