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H.B. No. 3628

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the adoption by the Department of Public Safety of rules governing the use of unmanned aircraft in the Capitol Complex; creating a criminal offense.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 411.062, Government Code, is amended by adding Subsection (d-1) to read as follows:

(d-1) The director shall adopt rules governing the use of unmanned aircraft in the Capitol Complex. The rules adopted under this subsection may:

(1) prohibit the use of unmanned aircraft in the Capitol Complex; or

(2) authorize limited use of unmanned aircraft in the Capitol Complex.

SECTION 2. Section 411.065(b), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) An offense under this section is a Class C misdemeanor, except that an offense is a Class B misdemeanor if the person violates a rule adopted under Section 411.062(d-1).

SECTION 3. (a) The director of the Department of Public Safety shall adopt the rules required by Section 411.062(d-1), Government Code, as added by this Act, not later than December 1, 2015.

(b) The change in law made by this Act to Section 411.065,

1 Government Code, applies only to an offense committed on or after  
2 December 1, 2015. An offense committed before that date is governed  
3 by the law in effect immediately before the effective date of this  
4 Act, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose. For  
5 purposes of this section, an offense was committed before December  
6 1, 2015, if any element of the offense occurred before that date.

7 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.