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       April 23, 2021, sent to printer.)
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       COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 149
                                                                             Ву:
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                                    A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
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                                             AN ACT
       relating to the prosecution of the offense of operation of an unmanned aircraft over certain facilities.
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               BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
               SECTION 1. Section 423.0045(a)(1-a), Government Code,
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       amended to read as follows:
                      (1-a) "Critical infrastructure facility" means:
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       (A) one of the following, if completely enclosed by a fence or other physical barrier that is obviously designed to
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       exclude intruders, or if clearly marked with a sign or signs that are posted on the property, are reasonably likely to come to the
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       attention of intruders, and indicate that entry is forbidden:
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                                    (i) a petroleum or alumina refinery;(ii) an electrical power gen
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                                     switching station, or
       facility, substation,
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       center;
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                                    (iii) a
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       manufacturing facility;
       (iv) a water intake structure, wa
treatment facility, wastewater treatment plant, or pump station;
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                                    (v) a natural gas compressor station;
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       storage facility;
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       switching office or any structure used as part of a system to
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       provide wired or wireless telecommunications services;
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                                    (viii) a port, a public or private airport
       depicted in any current aeronautical chart published by the Federal Aviation Administration, a railroad switching yard, a trucking terminal, or any other freight transportation facility;
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                                   (ix) a gas processing plant, including a
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       plant used in the processing, treatment,
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       natural gas;
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                                          a
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       federally licensed radio or television station;
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                                    (xi)
                                          a steelmaking facility that uses an
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       electric arc furnace to make steel;
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                                    (xii) a dam that is classified as a high
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       hazard by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality; [or]
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                                    (xiii) a concentrated
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       operation, as defined by Section 26.048, Water Code; or
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                                    (xiv) a military installation owned
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operated by or for the federal government, the state, or another

2-1 governmental entity; or 2-2 if enclosed by a fence or other physical (B) barrier obviously designed to exclude intruders: 2-3 2-4 (i) any portion of an aboveground oil, gas, 2**-**5 2**-**6 or chemical pipeline; (ii) an oil or gas drilling site; 2-7 (iii) a group of tanks used to store crude 2-8 oil, such as a tank battery; 2-9 an oil, gas, or chemical production (iv) 2**-**10 2**-**11 facility; (V)an oil or gas wellhead; or 2-12 (vi) any oil and gas facility that has an 2-13 active flare. 2-14 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act. An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is 2**-**15 2**-**16 2-17 governed by the law in effect on the date the offense was committed, 2-18 and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose. For purposes of this section, an offense was committed before the effective date of this Act if any element of the offense occurred 2-19 2**-**20 2**-**21 before that date. 2-22 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

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