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SYNOPSIS:

This bill would require the Secretary of the Alabama State Law Enforcement Agency to create and publish a list of approved unmanned aircraft systems for this state.

This bill would also prohibit any county, municipality, or other political subdivision of the state from purchasing an unmanned aircraft system that is not an approved unmanned aircraft system.

A BILL
TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

Relating to unmanned aircraft systems; to require the Secretary of the Alabama State Law Enforcement Agency to take certain actions regarding unmanned aircraft systems; and to prohibit a county, municipality, or other political subdivision of the state from purchasing certain unmanned aircraft systems.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. For the purposes of this act, the following terms have the following meanings:

(1) APPROVED UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEM. An unmanned



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29 aircraft system approved by the Secretary of the Alabama State
30 Law Enforcement Agency and included on the secretary's
31 published list pursuant to Section 2.

32 (2) UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEM. As defined in Section
33 13A-7-4.3, Code of Alabama 1975.

34 Section 2. (a) No later than January 1, 2025, the
35 Secretary of the Alabama State Law Enforcement Agency shall
36 develop a list of approved unmanned aircraft systems for this
37 state.

38 (b) The list shall include unmanned aircraft systems
39 that are compliant with Federal Aviation Administration
40 standards and that present no threat to the security of the
41 state.

42 (c) The list shall be published on the Alabama State
43 Law Enforcement Agency website.

44 (d) The secretary shall review and update the list on
45 both the first day of July and on the first day of January of
46 each year.

47 Section 3. No county, municipality, or other political
48 subdivision of this state may purchase an unmanned aircraft
49 system that is not an approved unmanned aircraft system.

50 Section 4. This act shall become effective on October
51 1, 2024.