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4/19/2017 Senate Committee report: Favorable with amendment **Judiciary** ([Senate Journal‑page 7](file:///h:\sj\20170419.docx))

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5/3/2017 Senate Roll call Ayes‑38 Nays‑0 ([Senate Journal‑page 35](file:///h:\sj\20170503.docx))

5/4/2017 Senate Read third time and sent to House ([Senate Journal‑page 17](file:///h:\sj\20170504.docx))

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5/3/2018 House Committee report: Favorable with amendment **Judiciary** ([House Journal‑page 44](file:///h:\hj\20180503.docx))

5/9/2018 House Requests for debate‑Rep(s). Pitts, Rutherford, Murphy, Stavrinakis, West, Hiott, GR Smith ([House Journal‑page 79](file:///h:\hj\20180509.docx))

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5/10/2018 Scrivener's error corrected

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5/10/2018 House Returned to Senate with amendments ([House Journal‑page 109](file:///h:\hj\20180510.docx))

5/10/2018 Senate Non‑concurrence in House amendment ([Senate Journal‑page 38](file:///h:\sj\20180510.docx))

5/10/2018 House Conference committee appointed GM Smith, Weeks, Rutherford ([House Journal‑page 142](file:///h:\hj\20180510.docx))

5/10/2018 Senate Conference committee appointed Shealy, McElveen, Climer ([Senate Journal‑page 38](file:///h:\sj\20180510.docx))

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AMENDED

May 9, 2018

**S. 109**

Introduced by Senator McElveen

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**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND ARTICLE 7, CHAPTER 11, TITLE 16 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO TRESPASSES AND THE UNLAWFUL USE OF THE PROPERTY OF OTHERS, BY ADDING SECTION 16-11-605, TO PROVIDE THAT IT IS UNLAWFUL TO OPERATE AN UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLE WITHIN A CERTAIN DISTANCE OF A STATE OR FEDERAL MILITARY INSTALLATION AND TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION.

Amend Title To Conform

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. Article 7, Chapter 11, Title 16 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section 16-11-605. (A) Except as provided in subsection (B), a person shall not intentionally and wilfully operate an unmanned aerial vehicle within the flight path of a federal military installation with restricted public access without written consent from the commander of the specific military installation or his designee. If specific approvals have been given, all flights must be conducted within the requirements set forth by the Federal Aviation Administration for the operations of unmanned aerial vehicles.

(B) This section does not apply to any person who: registers with the Federal Aviation Administration as an operator of a commercial unmanned aerial vehicle; operates the vehicle for the purpose of monitoring, operating, maintaining, or enhancing electric, communications, water conveyance, or transportation infrastructure or determining if repairs to such infrastructure are necessary; and notifies the commander of the specific military installation prior to operating the vehicle, provided that the notification must include the registration number the Federal Aviation Administration has issued for the vehicle.

(C) A person who violates this section is subject to a civil fine not to exceed one hundred dollars.”

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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