

## AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1339

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1 Amend Bill, page 1, line 4, by inserting after "surveillance"  
2 ; and, in wiretapping and electronic surveillance, providing for  
3 unmanned aircraft surveillance

4 Amend Bill, page 3, by inserting between lines 23 and 24

5 Section 2. Chapter 57 of Title 18 is amended by adding a  
6 subchapter to read:

7 SUBCHAPTER E.1

8 UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SURVEILLANCE

9 § 5776. Order authorizing unmanned aircraft surveillance.

10 (a) General rule.--The Attorney General, or, during the  
11 absence or incapacity of the Attorney General, a deputy attorney  
12 general designated in writing by the Attorney General, or the  
13 district attorney or, during the absence or incapacity of the  
14 district attorney, an assistant district attorney designated in  
15 writing by the district attorney of the county in which the  
16 suspected criminal activity has been, is or is about to occur,  
17 may make written application to any Superior Court judge for an  
18 order authorizing the use of an unmanned aircraft by the  
19 investigative or law enforcement officers or agency having  
20 responsibility for an investigation involving suspected criminal  
21 activities when such use may provide evidence of the commission  
22 of any of the offenses enumerated in section 5708 (relating to  
23 order authorizing interception of wire, electronic or oral  
24 communications) or may provide evidence aiding in the  
25 apprehension of the perpetrator or perpetrators of any of the  
26 offenses listed under section 5708 if the offense is dangerous  
27 to life, limb or property and punishable by imprisonment for  
28 more than one year.

29 (b) Applicability of law.--The provisions of Subchapter B  
30 (relating to wire, electronic or oral communication) that are  
31 applicable to the interception of wire or electronic  
32 communications shall be applicable in the same manner to  
33 photographic evidence and other data or information obtainable  
34 from unmanned aircraft by a law enforcement officer under this  
35 subchapter.

36 (c) Definition.--As used in this section, the term "unmanned  
37 aircraft" means an aircraft that is operated without the

1 possibility of direct human intervention from within or on the  
2 aircraft. The term includes the equipment associated with such  
3 aircraft that provides communication links and the components  
4 that control the unmanned aircraft required for the pilot in  
5 command to operate the aircraft safely and efficiently in the  
6 national airspace system.

7 Amend Bill, page 3, line 24, by striking out "2" and  
8 inserting

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