

2019 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 111

BY REPRESENTATIVE CREWS

EDUCATION: Recognizes and supports the "Know Before You Fly" program as an official source of safety education for operators of unmanned aircraft systems

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To recognize and support the "Know Before You Fly" campaign as an official source of
3 safety education for prospective and active operators of unmanned aircraft systems
4 in Louisiana.

5 WHEREAS, excitement and enthusiasm surrounding unmanned aircraft systems
6 continue to grow and more consumers are seeking unmanned aircraft systems for personal
7 and business use; and

8 WHEREAS, the safe integration of unmanned aircraft systems into the National
9 Airspace System promises to drive new economic development and consumer choice,
10 promote more responsible stewardship of natural resources, facilitate more effective
11 emergency response and disaster recovery, and improve the efficiency and security of
12 energy, transportation, and communications networks; and

13 WHEREAS, direct operation of unmanned aircraft systems, for both commercial and
14 noncommercial use, is growing rapidly, with more than one million aircraft already
15 registered; and

16 WHEREAS, the development and adoption of services provided by unmanned
17 aircraft systems are expected to generate billions of new economic activities and create
18 thousands of new jobs in the United States; and

19 WHEREAS, the safe operation of unmanned aircraft systems, both for
20 noncommercial and commercial purposes, is necessary for continued innovation, economic
21 activity, and public benefit; and

1 WHEREAS, prospective operators of unmanned aircraft systems must understand
2 and abide by relevant requirements and limitations to ensure the safe operation of such
3 systems; and

4 WHEREAS, the regulatory framework for unmanned aircraft systems continues to
5 develop, including steps by the Federal Aviation Administration to integrate unmanned
6 aircraft systems into the National Airspace System and issuance of operational requirements
7 for small unmanned aircraft systems operations in the airspace; and

8 WHEREAS, easily accessible and freely available information regarding current
9 guidance for safe and responsible unmanned aircraft systems operations provides certainty
10 to unmanned aircraft system owners and operators, maximizes the public benefits of
11 unmanned aircraft systems, and mitigates risks to public safety and security; and

12 WHEREAS, "Know Before You Fly" is an educational campaign founded by the
13 Association for Unmanned Vehicle Systems International and the Academy of Model
14 Aeronautics in partnership with the Federal Aviation Administration to educate prospective
15 users about the safe and responsible operation of unmanned aircraft systems; and

16 WHEREAS, the "Know Before You Fly" educational campaign has developed
17 relationships with more than one hundred fifty supporters, including unmanned aircraft
18 manufacturers, law enforcement agencies, retailers, labor organizations, and institutions of
19 higher education.

20 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
21 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby recognize and support the "Know Before You Fly"
22 program as an official source of safety education for prospective and active operators of
23 unmanned aircraft systems in Louisiana.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
25 Association for Unmanned Vehicle Systems International, the Academy of Model
26 Aeronautics, and the Federal Aviation Administration.

DIGEST

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