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H. R. 5876

To amend the FAA Modernization and Reform Act of 2012 to prohibit the flying of unmanned recreational aircraft near commercial airports.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 11, 2014

Mr. MEEKS introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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A BILL

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the ''Responsible Skies Act of 2014''.

SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON THE FLYING OF UNMANNED RECREATIONAL AIRCRAFT NEAR COMMERCIAL AIRPORTS.

Section 333 of the FAA Modernization and Reform Act of 2012 (49 U.S.C. 40101 note) is amended—

(1) in subsection (c) by striking the period at the end and inserting ", including that the operator of an unmanned recreational aircraft may not fly the aircraft—

"(1) above 400 feet and within 5 miles of the perimeter of an airport that provides scheduled passenger air transportation; or

"(2) where it may be seem from the perimeter of the airport.".

(2) by inserting at the end the following:

"(d) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, and every year thereafter, the Secretary shall submit to Congress a report containing—

"(1) a description of any incident in which an unmanned recreational aircraft flew above 400 feet less than 5 miles from the perimeter of an airport that provides scheduled passenger air transportation; and

"(2) the action taken by the Secretary in response to the incident.

"(e) DEFINITION OF UNMANNED RECREATIONAL AIRCRAFT.—In this section, the term 'unmanned rec-

1 reational aircraft' means an unmanned aircraft flown for
2 hobby or recreational purposes.''.

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