

116TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

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To amend the Arms Export Control Act to prohibit the export of certain unmanned aircraft systems.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. MURPHY (for himself, Mr. LEE, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. COONS, and Mr. PAUL) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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**A BILL**

To amend the Arms Export Control Act to prohibit the export of certain unmanned aircraft systems.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. PROHIBITION ON EXPORT OF CERTAIN UN-**  
4 **MANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS.**

5 Chapter 7 of the Arms Export Control Act (22  
6 U.S.C. 2797 et seq.) is amended by inserting after section  
7 73B the following:

1 **“SEC. 73C. PROHIBITION ON EXPORT OF CERTAIN UN-**  
2 **MANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS.**

3 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided by subsection  
4 (b), the export, transfer, or trade of covered unmanned  
5 aircraft systems, or equipment, assemblies, or components  
6 for such systems, is prohibited.

7 “(b) EXCEPTION.—The prohibition under subsection  
8 (a) does not apply to the export, transfer, or trade of sys-  
9 tems, equipment, assemblies, or components described in  
10 that subsection to the government of any of the following:

11 “(1) A country that is a member of the North  
12 Atlantic Treaty Organization.

13 “(2) Australia.

14 “(3) Israel.

15 “(4) Japan.

16 “(5) New Zealand.

17 “(6) South Korea.

18 “(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

19 “(1) COVERED UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYS-  
20 TEM.—The term ‘covered unmanned aircraft system’  
21 means an unmanned aircraft system—

22 “(A) capable of delivering a payload of not  
23 less than 500 kilogram over a range of not less  
24 than 300 kilometers; or

25 “(B) described in item 1.A.2 of category I  
26 of the MTCR Annex.

1           “(2) PAYLOAD.—The term ‘payload’ means the  
2           total mass that can be carried or delivered by an un-  
3           manned aircraft system that is not used to maintain  
4           flight.

5           “(3) RANGE.—The term ‘range’ means the  
6           maximum distance that an unmanned aircraft sys-  
7           tem is capable of traveling in the mode of stable  
8           flight as measured by the projection of its trajectory  
9           over the surface of the Earth.”.