

By the Committee on Judiciary; and Senator Diaz de la Portilla

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1 A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to drones; creating s. 768.38, F.S.;

3 providing for liability for injury to a person or

4 property damage in this state for the negligent

5 operation of a drone; defining a term; providing an

6 effective date.

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8 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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10 Section 1. Section 768.38, Florida Statutes, is created to

11 read:

12 768.38 Liability arising out of drone use.—Notwithstanding

13 s. 768.81, if a person suffers an injury or property damage

14 caused by the negligent operation of a drone, the owner and

15 operator of the drone are liable for damages on the basis of the

16 doctrine of joint and several liability. As used in this

17 section, the term "drone" has the same meaning as in s. 934.50.

18 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016.