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SENATE BILL **49-FN**

AN ACT relative to the unlawful operation or use of unmanned aircraft systems.

SPONSORS: Sen. Birdsell, Dist 19; Rep. Roy, Rock. 31

COMMITTEE: Judiciary

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill clarifies the version of the federal regulation with which operators of small unmanned aircraft systems must comply.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struckthrough.~~]
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-Six

AN ACT relative to the unlawful operation or use of unmanned aircraft systems.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 6:1 Unlawful Operation or Use of Small Unmanned Aircraft System. Amend RSA 644:23, II to read
2 as follows:

3 II. A person is guilty of a violation for a first offense, and a misdemeanor for a second or
4 subsequent offense, if such person operates a small unmanned aircraft system in violation of laws and
5 regulations of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), [~~including but not limited to~~] ***specifically*** 14
6 C.F.R. part 107, ***as of July 24, 2025***.

7 6:2 Unlawful Operation or Use of Small Unmanned Aircraft System. Amend RSA 644:23, III(a) to
8 read as follows:

9 (a) Comply with FAA Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems Rule, 14 C.F.R. part 107, ***as of July***
10 ***24, 2025***;

11 6:3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

Approved: March 20, 2026
Effective Date: May 19, 2026

