

**UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS ACT (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 436 of 2016**

**259.320 Criminal liability; offense committed with aid of an unmanned aircraft system; exception.**

Sec. 20. (1) A person is guilty of an offense committed with the aid of an unmanned aircraft system if the unmanned aircraft system is under the person's control and the activity performed with the aid of the unmanned aircraft system would have given rise to criminal liability under the penal law of this state if it was performed directly by the person without the aid of an unmanned aircraft system.

(2) Notwithstanding subsection (1), and except as provided in sections 21 and 22 and section 45a(1) of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.45a, solely flying an unmanned aircraft system through navigable airspace in accordance with federal law does not give rise to criminal liability under the penal law of this state.

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