

PROPOSED  
SENATE AMENDMENTS TO H.B. 2251  
(Reference to House engrossed bill)

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert:

2 "Section 1. Section 13-1213, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
3 read:

4                   13-1213. Aiming a laser pointer at a peace officer or an  
5                   occupied aircraft; classification; definitions

6                   A. A person commits aiming a laser pointer at a peace officer if the  
7       person intentionally, ~~or~~ knowingly OR RECKLESSLY directs the beam of light  
8       from a laser pointer ~~or laser emitting device~~ at another person and the  
9       person knows or reasonably should know that the other person is a peace  
10      officer.

11               B. A person commits aiming a laser pointer at an occupied aircraft  
12       if the person intentionally, ~~or~~ knowingly OR RECKLESSLY directs the beam of  
13       light from a laser pointer ~~or laser emitting device~~ at an aircraft and the  
14       person knows or reasonably should know that the aircraft is occupied.

15 C. INTENTIONALLY OR KNOWINGLY AIMING A LASER POINTER AT A PEACE  
16 OFFICER IS A CLASS 5 FELONY. RECKLESSLY aiming a laser pointer at a peace  
17 officer is a class 1 misdemeanor.

D. INTENTIONALLY, KNOWINGLY OR RECKLESSLY AIMING A LASER POINTER AT AN OCCUPIED AIRCRAFT IS A CLASS 2 FELONY IF THE ACT CAUSES THE PILOT TO CRASH THE AIRCRAFT OR PERFORM AN EMERGENCY LANDING. INTENTIONALLY, KNOWINGLY OR RECKLESSLY AIMING A LASER POINTER AT AN OCCUPIED AIRCRAFT IS A CLASS 3 FELONY IF THE ACT RENDERS THE PILOT UNABLE TO SAFELY OPERATE THE AIRCRAFT. INTENTIONALLY OR KNOWINGLY AIMING A LASER POINTER AT AN OCCUPIED AIRCRAFT IS A CLASS 6 FELONY. RECKLESSLY aiming a laser pointer at an occupied aircraft is a class 1 misdemeanor. ~~If the act renders the pilot~~

1       ~~unable to safely operate the aircraft or causes serious physical injury to~~  
2       ~~any person on board the aircraft it is an assault pursuant to this chapter.~~

3           E. For the purposes of this section:

4           1. "Aircraft" means any vehicle that is ~~designed~~ USED for flight in  
5       the air by buoyancy or by the dynamic action of air on the vehicle's  
6       surfaces, including ~~powered~~ airplanes, gliders and helicopters.

7           2. "Laser pointer ~~or laser emitting device~~" means any device that ~~is~~  
8       ~~designed or used to amplify electromagnetic radiation by stimulated~~  
9       ~~emission that emits a~~ AN INTENSE beam ~~designed to be used by the operator~~  
10      ~~as a pointer or highlighter to indicate, mark or identify a specific~~  
11      ~~position, place, item or object OF LIGHT AMPLIFIED BY STIMULATED EMISSION~~  
12      OF ELECTROMAGNETIC RADIATION."

13 Amend title to conform

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