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AMENDMENT NO. _____

Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To enhance the land-based unmanned aircraft system program of the Coast Guard.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—116th Cong., 1st Sess.

S. 2297

To authorize appropriations for the Coast Guard, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on _____ and ordered to be printed

Ordered to lie on the table and to be printed

AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. SCOTT of Florida

Viz:

1 At the end of title IV, add the following:

2 **SEC. 430. LAND-BASED UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEM PRO-**
3 **GRAM OF THE COAST GUARD.**

4 (a) FUNDING FOR CERTAIN ENHANCED CAPABILI-
5 TIES.—Section 319 of title 14, United States Code, is
6 amended by adding at the end the following new sub-
7 section:

8 “(c) FUNDING FOR CERTAIN ENHANCED CAPABILI-
9 TIES.—In each of fiscal years 2020 and 2021, the Com-
10 mandant may provide additional funding of \$5,000,000

1 for additional long-range maritime patrol aircraft (MPA),
2 acquired through full and open competition.”.

3 (b) REPORT ON USE OF UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYS-
4 TEMS FOR CERTAIN SURVEILLANCE.—

5 (1) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than March
6 31, 2021, the Commandant shall submit to the ap-
7 propriate committees of Congress a report setting
8 forth an assessment of the feasibility and advis-
9 ability of using unmanned aircraft systems (UAS)
10 for surveillance of marine protected areas, the tran-
11 sit zone, and the Arctic in order to—

12 (A) establish and maintain regular mari-
13 time domain awareness of such areas;

14 (B) ensure appropriate response to illegal
15 activities in such areas; and

16 (C) collaborate with State, local, and tribal
17 authorities, and international partners, in sur-
18 veillance missions over their waters in such
19 areas.

20 (2) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS
21 DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term “appro-
22 priate committees of Congress” means—

23 (A) the Committee on Commerce, Science,
24 and Transportation and the Committee on

1 Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
2 of the Senate; and
3 (B) the Committee on Transportation and
4 Infrastructure and the Committee on Homeland
5 Security of the House of Representatives.