

HOUSE BILL NO. 594

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE KILLER ROBOT ATTACK BAN ACT; PROHIBITING THE MANUFACTURE, POSSESSION, USE, AND SALE OF LETHAL AUTONOMOUS WEAPON SYSTEMS IN THE STATE; PROVIDING DEFINITIONS; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

NEW SECTION. **Section 1. Short title.** This part may be cited as the "Killer Robot Attack Ban Act".

NEW SECTION. **Section 2. Definitions.** As used in [section 3], the following definitions apply:

- (1) "Autonomous" means capable of operating without human control.
- (2) "Business entity" means a corporation, limited liability company, association, partnership, limited liability partnership, or other legal entity.
- (3) "Lethal autonomous weapon system" means a weapon system that, when activated, utilizes technological means to attack targets without further intervention by a human operator.
- (4) "Weapon system" means an instrument capable of producing the destruction of property, bodily injury, or death and the components needed to carry out the function of that instrument.

NEW SECTION. **Section 3. Prohibition of lethal autonomous weapon systems -- penalty.** (1) An individual or business entity may not manufacture, possess, use, or sell a lethal autonomous weapon system in the state.

(2) A person who is convicted of violating this section shall be imprisoned in the state prison for a term not to exceed 20 years or be fined an amount not to exceed \$50,000, or both.

