

## *Domestic Use of Unmanned Aircraft*

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Unmanned aircraft vehicles (UAV), also known as drones, have been used by the United States for a number of years on the international stage. Due to advances in technology, the possible applications for unmanned aircraft are increasing. Universities and government agencies have been conducting research into using unmanned aircraft for industries such as agriculture, geology, petroleum, public safety, as well as traditional surveillance. The introduction of drones into domestic airspace provides not only opportunities, but also challenges for state and federal agencies such as enacting rules and statutes over use, licensing, privacy, monitoring, and safety.

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