

117TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 196

To prohibit the Central Intelligence Agency from using an unmanned aerial vehicle to carry out a weapons strike or other deliberately lethal action and to transfer the authority to conduct such strikes or lethal action to the Department of Defense.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 5, 2021

Mr. BURGESS introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. PROHIBITION ON CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE**
2 **AGENCY OPERATION OF UNMANNED AERIAL**
3 **VEHICLE STRIKES AND TRANSFER OF AU-**
4 **THORITY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.**

5 (a) PROHIBITION.—Notwithstanding any other provi-
6 sion of law, no officer or employee of, or contractor or
7 detailee to, the Central Intelligence Agency shall use an
8 unmanned aerial vehicle to carry out a weapons strike or
9 other lethal action.

10 (b) TRANSFER TO DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.—
11 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the President
12 shall transfer to the Department of Defense all authority
13 to use an unmanned aerial vehicle to carry out a weapons
14 strike or other lethal action.

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