1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to drone delivery services; amending
3	s. 330.41, F.S.; providing definitions; prohibiting a
4	political subdivision from taking certain actions
5	against a drone delivery service based on the location
6	of its drone port; amending s. 553.73, F.S.; exempting
7	drone ports from the Florida Building Code; amending
8	s. 633.202, F.S.; defining the term "drone port";
9	exempting drone ports from certain provisions of the
10	Florida Fire Prevention Code; providing an effective
11	date.
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13	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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15	Section 1. Paragraph (c) of subsection (2) of section
16	330.41, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as paragraph (e), new
17	paragraphs (c) and (d) are added to that subsection, paragraphs
18	(c) and (d) of subsection (3) are redesignated as paragraphs (d)
19	and (e), respectively, and a new paragraph (c) is added to that
20	subsection, to read:
21	330.41 Unmanned Aircraft Systems Act
22	(2) DEFINITIONSAs used in this act, the term:
23	(c) "Drone delivery service" means a person or entity
24	engaged in a business or profession of delivering goods via
25	drone and who is governed by Title 14 of the Code of Federal

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26 Regulations. 27 "Drone port" means a stand-alone building that does (d) 28 not exceed 1,500 square feet in area or 36 feet in height; is 29 located in a nonresidential area; is used or intended for use by 30 a drone delivery service for the storage, launch, landing, and observation of drones; was constructed using Type I or Type II 31 32 construction as described in the Florida Building Code; and includes at least one stairwell that is compliant with the 33 34 Florida Building Code. 35 (3) REGULATION.-(c) Except as otherwise expressly provided, a political 36 37 subdivision may not withhold issuance of a business tax receipt to a drone delivery service or enact or enforce an ordinance or 38 39 resolution that prohibits a drone delivery service's operation 40 based on the location of its drone port, notwithstanding part II 41 of chapter 163 and chapter 205. 42 Section 2. Paragraph (1) is added to subsection (10) of 43 section 553.73, Florida Statutes, to read: 553.73 Florida Building Code.-44 45 The following buildings, structures, and facilities (10)46 are exempt from the Florida Building Code as provided by law, 47 and any further exemptions shall be as determined by the 48 Legislature and provided by law: 49 (1) A drone port as defined in s. 330.41(2). 50 Page 2 of 5

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51 With the exception of paragraphs (a), (b), (c), and (f), in 52 order to preserve the health, safety, and welfare of the public, 53 the Florida Building Commission may, by rule adopted pursuant to chapter 120, provide for exceptions to the broad categories of 54 55 buildings exempted in this section, including exceptions for 56 application of specific sections of the code or standards 57 adopted therein. The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services shall have exclusive authority to adopt by rule, 58 59 pursuant to chapter 120, exceptions to nonresidential farm 60 buildings exempted in paragraph (c) when reasonably necessary to 61 preserve public health, safety, and welfare. The exceptions must be based upon specific criteria, such as under-roof floor area, 62 aggregate electrical service capacity, HVAC system capacity, or 63 64 other building requirements. Further, the commission may 65 recommend to the Legislature additional categories of buildings, 66 structures, or facilities which should be exempted from the Florida Building Code, to be provided by law. The Florida 67 68 Building Code does not apply to temporary housing provided by 69 the Department of Corrections to any prisoner in the state 70 correctional system.

71Section 3. Paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (16) of72section 633.202, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

73 633.202 Florida Fire Prevention Code.-

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- (16)(a) As used in this subsection, the term:
- 1. "Agricultural pole barn" means a nonresidential farm

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building in which 70 percent or more of the perimeter walls are

permanently open and allow free ingress and egress.

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78 2. "Drone port" has the same meaning as provided in s. 79 330.41(2). 3.2. "Nonresidential farm building" has the same meaning 80 81 as provided in s. 604.50. 82 (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law: 1. A nonresidential farm building in which the occupancy 83 84 is limited by the property owner to no more than 35 persons is exempt from the Florida Fire Prevention Code, including the 85 national codes and Life Safety Code incorporated by reference. 86 2. An agricultural pole barn is exempt from the Florida 87 Fire Prevention Code, including the national codes and the Life 88 89 Safety Code incorporated by reference. 3. Except for an agricultural pole barn, a structure on a 90 91 farm, as defined in s. 823.14(3)(c), which is used by an owner for agritourism activity, as defined in s. 570.86, for which the 92 93 owner receives consideration must be classified in one of the 94 following classes: 95 a. Class 1: A nonresidential farm building that is used by 96 the owner 12 or fewer times per year for agritourism activity with up to 100 persons occupying the structure at one time. A 97 98 structure in this class is subject to annual inspection for 99 classification by the local authority having jurisdiction. This class is not subject to the Florida Fire Prevention Code but is 100 Page 4 of 5 CODING: Words stricken are deletions; words underlined are additions. hb1071-02-c2

101 subject to rules adopted by the State Fire Marshal pursuant to 102 this section.

b. Class 2: A nonresidential farm building that is used by
the owner for agritourism activity with up to 300 persons
occupying the structure at one time. A structure in this class
is subject to annual inspection for classification by the local
authority having jurisdiction. This class is not subject to the
Florida Fire Prevention Code but is subject to rules adopted by
the State Fire Marshal pursuant to this section.

110 c. Class 3: A structure or facility that is used primarily 111 for housing, sheltering, or otherwise accommodating members of 112 the general public. A structure or facility in this class is 113 subject to annual inspection for classification by the local 114 authority having jurisdiction. This class is subject to the 115 Florida Fire Prevention Code.

116 <u>4. A drone port is exempt from provisions of the Florida</u> 117 <u>Fire Prevention Code, including national codes and the Life</u> 118 <u>Safety Code incorporated by reference, concerning fire</u> 119 <u>protection systems as defined in s. 633.102.</u>

Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2023.

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