States’ Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Laws
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Enforcement; Probable Cause for Arrest

(a) This chapter shall be enforced by each county. The counties are authorized to enforce and administer the provisions of this chapter.

(b) Arrests for offenses under this chapter or under a county fireworks ordinance shall be made in compliance with chapter 803. The facts and circumstances to establish probable cause for an arrest may include but are not limited to:

1. Statements from individuals who witnessed the offense, even if those individuals are not law enforcement officers; and
2. Photographs, video recordings, or other recordings that show the commission of the offense and can be authenticated by one or more witnesses; provided that a recording made using an unmanned aerial vehicle shall be exempt from the requirement of authentication by one or more witnesses.

For the purposes of this subsection:

“Other recording” includes any photograph or a video made using an unmanned aerial vehicle.

“Unmanned aerial vehicle” means any aerial vehicle that is operated without the possibility of direct human intervention within or on the aerial vehicle. The term “unmanned aerial vehicle” does not include a remote-controlled airplane.