

## 116TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

## S. 4028

To amend the Act of June 4, 1897, to increase a penalty for the unauthorized landing of certain aircraft on wilderness areas of the National Forest System.

## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

June 22, 2020

Mr. Daines introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

## 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,
- 3 SECTION 1. INCREASED PENALTY FOR UNAUTHORIZED
- 4 LANDING OF AIRCRAFT ON WILDERNESS
- 5 AREAS OF THE NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM.
- 6 The eleventh undesignated paragraph under the
- 7 heading "SURVEYING THE PUBLIC LANDS" under the
- 8 heading "UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF THE IN-
- 9 TERIOR" in the first section of the Act of June 4, 1897
- 10 (30 Stat. 35, chapter 2; 16 U.S.C. 551), is amended by

- 1 adding at the end the following: "Notwithstanding any
- 2 other provision of this paragraph, it shall be unlawful for
- 3 any person to knowingly land aircraft (within the meaning
- 4 of section 293.17(b) of title 36, Code of Federal Regula-
- 5 tions (or successor regulations)) on a wilderness area in
- 6 the National Forest System, unless the landing is other-
- 7 wise authorized by laws (including regulations) applicable
- 8 to the National Forest System or the National Wilderness
- 9 Preservation System or the landing is an emergency land-
- 10 ing. Notwithstanding section 3571 of title 18, United
- 11 States Code, any person who violates the preceding sen-
- 12 tence shall be fined not more than \$20,000, imprisoned
- 13 for not more than 6 months, or both.".

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