

## HOUSE BILL No. 2240

By Committee on Local Government

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1 AN ACT concerning fire safety and prevention; prohibiting the use of  
2 unmanned aerial luminaries.

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4 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

5 Section 1. (a) Except as provided in subsection (c), it shall be  
6 unlawful to ignite, fire or otherwise use an unmanned aerial luminary.

7 (b) Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty  
8 of an unclassified misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than  
9 \$2,500.

10 (c) This section shall not apply to the possession or transportation of  
11 unmanned aerial luminaries for commercial purposes or for use outside of  
12 this state.

13 (d) As used in this section, the term "unmanned aerial luminary"  
14 means a device constructed of lightweight material which is capable of  
15 traveling significant distances through the air when powered by fire or a  
16 fuel cell until such fire or fuel cell deteriorates causing such device to fall  
17 to the ground at an unknown location. The term "unmanned aerial  
18 luminary" includes such devices known as Kongming or Chinese lanterns,  
19 sky candles or fire balloons.

20 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its  
21 publication in the statute book.