Amendment to H.R. 4441 Offered by Mr. Curbelo of Florida

Page 235, after line 18, insert the following:

1 SEC. ____. DRONE USE FOR INSURANCE PURPOSES DURING 2 DISASTERS.

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Transpor-4 5 tation and the Secretary of Homeland Security shall issue 6 or revise regulations, and coordinate with other appro-7 priate Federal agencies, to ensure that a provider of prop-8 erty or casualty insurance may utilize, in a safe manner, 9 an unmanned aircraft system in a disaster-impacted area, for the purpose of conducting insurance-related activities, 10 11 including assessment activities, and expediting repairs and the payment of claims. 12

(b) SUSPENSION OF RESTRICTIONS AND REQUIREMENTS.—In carrying out subsection (a), the Secretary of
Transportation and the Secretary of Homeland Security
shall suspend, for an insurance provider, Federal restrictions and requirements that would otherwise apply to operations of unmanned aircraft systems in disaster-impacted areas.

(c) DISASTER-IMPACTED AREA DEFINED.—In this
 section, the term "disaster-impacted area" means an area
 with respect to which—

4 (1) the President has declared that a major dis5 aster or emergency exists pursuant to section 401 of
6 the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emer7 gency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5170); or

8 (2) a State has declared that a disaster or9 emergency exists pursuant to State law.

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