
OLR Bill Analysis

HB 5314

AN ACT PROHIBITING THE RELEASE OF HELIUM BALLOONS INTO THE ATMOSPHERE.

SUMMARY

This bill prohibits the knowing, intentional, or organized release of lighter-than-air (e.g., helium) balloons by individuals, nonprofit organizations, businesses, and the state and its political subdivisions. Current law limits these releases to nine balloons within a 24-hour period.

Unchanged by the bill, violating the ban is an infraction, subject to a \$35 fine.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2019

COMMITTEE ACTION

Environment Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 28 Nay 0 (03/08/2019)