

Congress of the United States
U.S. House of Representatives
Committee on Small Business
2361 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515-6515

NOTICE OF HEARING

July 15, 2015

11:00 A.M. 2360 Rayburn House Office Building

TO: Members, Committee on Small Business

FROM: Steve Chabot, Chairman

DATE: Wednesday, July 8, 2015

The Committee on Small Business will meet for a hearing titled, *Taking Flight: Small Business Utilization of Unmanned Aircraft*. The hearing is scheduled to begin at **11:00 A.M. on July 15, 2015, in Room 2360 of the Rayburn House Office Building.**

Currently, commercial operations of unmanned aircraft are very limited; however, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is working towards safely integrating them into the national airspace system. Earlier this year, the FAA issued a proposed rule to permit small unmanned aircraft (those weighing 55 pounds or less) to operate for non-hobby, non-recreational purposes. Once the regulation is finalized, the FAA expects that small businesses will conduct the majority of commercial operations. The Committee on will examine how small businesses will use unmanned aircraft for commercial activities in the United States.

A staff briefing will be held on Monday, July 13, 2015, at 2:00 P.M. in Room 2360 of the Rayburn House Office Building.

If you or your staff have questions, please contact Viktoria Ziebarth, Counsel for the Committee, at 202-225-5821.