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**Heller, Giffords Ultralight Bill Signed Into Law**

**(Washington, D.C.) –** U.S. Senator Dean Heller (R-NV**)** today applauded President Obama for signing into law legislation introduced by former Representative Gabrielle Giffords. The Ultralight Aircraft Smuggling Prevention Act of 2012 equips law enforcement with the necessary tools to crack down on smugglers using ultralight aircraft to bring drugs across the U.S.-Mexico border. This was Rep. Giffords’ last bill before stepping down from her House seat.

“It has been an honor and privilege to work with Gabby in the House and I am very pleased that this bill has been signed into law. Passing this legislation is a fitting tribute and commemoration of all Gabby’s accomplishments in the House. Her hard work and commitment will certainly be missed and I wish her nothing but the best as she works towards her recovery,” said Senator Heller.

While serving in the House of Representatives, Heller and Giffords passed the Ultralight Smuggling Prevention Act (H.R. 5307) on September 23, 2010. Senators Heller and Tom Udall (D-NM) carried the legislation in the Senate, where it passed with bipartisan support on January 26, 2012.

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