

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

MADAM PRESIDENT:

The Committee on **Agriculture** recommends **SB 56** be amended on page 1, following line 7, by inserting:

"New Section 1. Any county fair association which received official recognition from the secretary of agriculture prior to July 1, 2013, shall remain an officially recognized county fair association unless such recognition is revoked by a vote of the board of county commissioners in the county where such county fair association is located.";

On page 9, following line 8, by inserting:

"Sec. 12. K.S.A. 19-1561b is hereby amended to read as follows: 19-1561b. Upon the erection of such building or buildings and furnishings as herein provided, the board of county commissioners of the county wherein such building or buildings and furnishings are located is hereby authorized and empowered to levy annually a tax upon all taxable tangible property within said county for the purpose of purchasing additional equipment, maintaining and repairing such building or buildings and furnishings and for the payment of premiums and rewards awarded at agricultural livestock and 4-H club activities and approved by the board of county commissioners and to pay a portion of the principal and interest on bonds issued under the authority of K.S.A. 12-1774, and amendments thereto, by cities located in the county. In any county in which there is a fair recognized by the secretary of agriculture or the board of county commissioners as an official county fair the amount of the payment for premiums and rewards under this section shall not exceed the amount of the payment by the county for premiums and awards for such county fair.

The board of county commissioners is authorized to pay any tax moneys collected and approved by said board for the payment of rewards and premiums to the executive board of the county agricultural extension council, except for an amount to pay a portion of the principal and interest on bonds issued under the authority of K.S.A. 12-1774, and amendments thereto, by cities located in the county. The executive board is authorized to accept such payments and upon acceptance of such moneys shall provide for the awarding of rewards and premiums for the authorized activities and shall make reports, under oath, to the county commissioners of the receipts and expenditures of the moneys so received, on or before December 31 of each year.";

Also on page 9, in line 9, after "K.S.A." by inserting "19-1561b and K.S.A.";

And by renumbering sections accordingly;

On page 1, in the title, in line 3, after "K.S.A." by inserting "19-1561b and K.S.A."; and the bill be passed as amended.

Chairperson