

County Fair Recognition; SB 56

SB 56 transfers the responsibility of recognizing official county fair associations to the board of county commissioners of the county where the association is located. Previously, that responsibility resided with the Secretary of Agriculture. A new provision of law states a county fair association or livestock show association officially recognized by the Secretary of Agriculture prior to July 1, 2013, retains that official recognition unless it was revoked by a vote of the county commissioners in the county where the association is located. The bill requires the Secretary of Agriculture, prior to January 1, 2014, to notify the board of county commissioners of any county in which the Secretary of Agriculture has recognized an official county fair association.