

S.F. No. 1238 – Modification to exemption for sales made by a county agricultural society

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Section 1. Use of a portion of county fair revenues. Under current law, sales by a county agricultural society during a regularly scheduled county fair are exempt from sales tax. The agricultural society must determine the amount of sales tax savings resulting from the exemption and, if it owns the fairgrounds, must use that amount to maintain, improve, or expand buildings and facilities located at the fairgrounds. If the society does not own the fairgrounds, it must transfer the amount of sales tax savings to the owner of the fairgrounds, who must use that amount for the purposes described above.

This section strikes language pertaining to use of sales tax savings between owners and non-owners of fairgrounds and retains language that requires a county agricultural society to use that amount to maintain, improve, or expand buildings and facilities located at the fairgrounds. Effective the day following final enactment.

Section 2. County agricultural society sales at county fairs. Clarifies the exemption for sales by county agricultural societies during regularly scheduled county fairs. The exemption does not apply to sales for county fair events held at a time other than the regularly scheduled county fair or for events not held on the county fairgrounds. Effective the day following final enactment.