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NO FISCAL IMPACT

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TITLE: CONCERNING A PROHIBITION ON ANY REQUIREMENT FOR PARTICIPATION IN AN ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM WHEN EXHIBITING AN ANIMAL AT THE COLORADO STATE FAIR AND INDUSTRIAL EXPOSITION.

Summary of Legislation

This bill prohibits the Colorado State Fair Board of Commissioners from establishing a rule requiring animal exhibitors to participate in the National Animal Identification System (NAIS). It is effective 90 days following final adjournment of the General Assembly unless a referendum petition is filed (August 6, 2008, if final adjournment is May 7, 2008).

Background. Currently, the board of commissioners requires state fair animal exhibitors to hold a valid livestock premises identification number. Premises identification is part of the NAIS – a free and voluntary system established to be able to quickly trace disease outbreaks. The premises identification component of the NAIS establishes a record of all places where livestock are raised, held, or boarded in the United States.

Assessment

The passage of this bill would invalidate the board of commissioner's rule requiring premises identification for animals exhibitors. The rule change is not expected to result in a significant change in state fair participation, nor is it expected to generate work for the board. Therefore, with no state or local government revenue or expenditure impacts, this bill is assessed as having no fiscal impact.

Departments Contacted

Agriculture