

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1204

Introduced by Assembly Member Dickinson

February 18, 2011

An act to amend Section 3312 of the Food and Agricultural Code, relating to fairs.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1204, as introduced, Dickinson. Fairs: California Exposition and State Fair Authority.

Existing law provides that the governing body of the California Exposition and State Fair shall be an 11 member board of directors who shall be residents of California and appointed, as specified. Existing law provides that 9 directors shall be appointed by the Governor with the consent of the Senate and that the directors appointed by the Governor shall have general knowledge of, interest in, and expertise in one or more specified areas, including, among others, fair management, the arts, education, and youth. Existing law provides that the directors shall be appointed for 4 year terms.

This bill would provide that every director appointed pursuant to those provisions whose term has expired shall continue to discharge the duties of his or her office until a successor is appointed and qualified. The bill would additionally add public relations and marketing to the list of topics of which the Governor's appointees are required to have knowledge of, interest in, and expertise in.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 3312 of the Food and Agricultural Code
 2 is amended to read:

3 3312. (a) The governing body of the California Exposition
 4 and State Fair shall be an 11-member board of directors. The
 5 directors shall be residents of California and shall be appointed as
 6 follows:

7 (1) Nine directors shall be appointed by the Governor with the
 8 consent of the Senate. The directors appointed by the Governor
 9 shall have general knowledge of, interest in, and expertise in one
 10 or more of the following areas: fair management, city or county
 11 government, ~~horseracing~~ *horse racing*, the arts, exhibiting, the
 12 media, *public relations*, education, youth, commerce and
 13 commercial products of the state, industry and industrial products
 14 of the state, agricultural production and forest industries, the
 15 entertainment industry, livestock and poultry, sports, recreation,
 16 fisheries, oceanography, organized labor, and finance, *marketing*,
 17 and banking.

18 (A) Five of the directors appointed by the Governor shall be
 19 knowledgeable in the production, processing, or marketing of
 20 agricultural products and may be appointed from lists of nominees
 21 submitted for consideration to the Governor from California
 22 agricultural organizations, district agricultural associations, and
 23 county and citrus fruit fairs.

24 (B) One of the directors appointed by the Governor shall be a
 25 public member.

26 (C) Three of the directors appointed by the Governor shall be
 27 representative, to the extent possible, of areas of knowledge,
 28 interest, and expertise enumerated in paragraph (1).

29 (2) One director shall be appointed by the Speaker of the
 30 Assembly and one director shall be appointed by the Senate
 31 Committee on Rules. These persons shall be representative, to the
 32 extent possible, of areas of knowledge, interest, and expertise
 33 enumerated in paragraph (1).

34 (b) The directors shall be appointed for four-year terms. The
 35 appointing authority shall appoint directors to fill vacancies which
 36 occur during a term, and the appointments shall be for the
 37 remainder of the unexpired term. ~~Of the four vacancies that will~~

1 occur on December 31, 1986, two of the vacancies shall be filled
2 by persons appointed pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (a).
3 (c) Notwithstanding Section 1774 of the Government Code or
4 any other provision of law, every director appointed pursuant to
5 this section whose term has expired shall continue to discharge
6 the duties of his or her office until a successor is appointed and
7 qualified.

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