

CHAPTER 91

AGRICULTURE

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AN ACT**CONCERNING MODIFICATIONS TO THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE COLORADO STATE FAIR AND INDUSTRIAL EXPOSITION.**

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 35-65-105, **amend** (1) as follows:

35-65-105. State fair and industrial exposition. (1) (a) There is hereby established the Colorado state fair and industrial exposition, which shall be held annually at Pueblo, Colorado, for the display of livestock and agricultural, horticultural, industrial, mining, water conservation, tourist industry, recreational, educational, and scientific facilities, processes, and products of the state of Colorado. A DISPLAY DESCRIBED IN THIS SUBSECTION (1)(a) IS REFERRED TO IN THIS SUBSECTION (1) AS AN "INDUSTRY DISPLAY".

(b) TO THE EXTENT NECESSARY, THE AUTHORITY MAY COLLABORATE WITH A STATE AGENCY OR AN AFFILIATE OR EMPLOYEE OF A STATE AGENCY ON DEVELOPING AN INDUSTRY DISPLAY OR TO OBTAIN INDUSTRY INFORMATION AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE INDUSTRY DISPLAY. STATE AGENCIES ARE ENCOURAGED TO COLLABORATE WITH THE AUTHORITY IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF INDUSTRY DISPLAYS FOR INDUSTRIES IN WHICH THEY HAVE EXPERTISE.

(c) THE AUTHORITY MAY RECEIVE INFORMATION FROM A REPRESENTATIVE OF AN INDUSTRY DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1)(a) OF THIS SECTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEVELOPING AN INDUSTRY DISPLAY.

(d) THE BOARD SHALL ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR APPROVING THE INDUSTRY DISPLAYS TO ENSURE THAT THE COLORADO STATE FAIR AND INDUSTRIAL EXPOSITION

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DISPLAYS INFORMATION THAT CONFORMS WITH SUBSECTION (1)(a) OF THIS SECTION AND IS APPROPRIATE FOR PATRONS OF ALL AGES.

SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 35-65-401, **repeal** (9)(c) as follows:

35-65-401. Colorado state fair authority - creation - board - powers and duties. (9) The board shall:

(c) ~~Hire and employ the manager of the Colorado state fair authority in accordance with the provisions of section 35-65-403;~~

SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 35-65-403, **amend** (1) as follows:

35-65-403. Office of manager of the Colorado state fair authority - creation.

(1) The office of manager of the Colorado state fair authority is hereby created. The ~~board~~ COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE BOARD, shall appoint AND EMPLOY a manager of the Colorado state fair authority. ~~who shall~~ THE PERSON APPOINTED AND EMPLOYED AS THE MANAGER MUST have knowledge of livestock, agriculture, horticulture, industry, recreation, education, and scientific facilities, processes, and products of the state of Colorado and ~~who shall~~ MUST have experience in fair management and promotion. The manager shall serve for an indefinite term, ~~and shall~~ MUST not hold any other public office, ~~but shall~~ AND MUST devote ~~his or her~~ THE MANAGER'S entire time to the service of the state in the discharge of ~~his or her~~ THE MANAGER'S official duties. The appointment or removal of the manager ~~shall be~~ IS subject to the provisions of section 13 of article XII of the state constitution and the statutes enacted pursuant ~~thereto~~ TO THAT SECTION. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the office of manager of the Colorado state fair authority ~~shall be~~ IS a position in the senior executive service for purposes of section 24-50-104 (5)(c). ~~C.R.S.~~

SECTION 4. Act subject to petition - effective date - applicability. (1) This act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in November 2022 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

(2) Section 3 of this act applies to the appointment of any manager of the Colorado state fair authority on or after the effective date of this act.

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