ARTICLE 5. REGULATION OF CITRUS PEST AND DISEASE MANAGEMENT

SECTION 5.01. Section 80.003(6), Agriculture Code, is amended to read as follows:

(6) “Citrus producer” means a person who grows citrus and receives or intends to receive income from the sale of citrus. The term includes an individual who as owner, landlord, tenant, or sharecropper is entitled to share in the citrus grown and available for marketing from a farm or to share in the proceeds from the sale of the citrus from the farm. The term includes a person who owns land that is primarily used to grow citrus and that is appraised based on agricultural use under Chapter 23, Tax Code, regardless of whether the person receives income from the sale of citrus, and there is an irrebuttable presumption that the person intends to receive income from the sale of citrus.

SECTION 5.02. Section 80.015(b), Agriculture Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The commissioner shall propose in a referendum the:

(1) maximum assessment to be paid by citrus producers [having production] in the pest management zone; and
(2) time for which the assessment will be made.

SECTION 5.03. Section 80.016(d), Agriculture Code, is amended to read as follows:

(d) A citrus producer [having citrus production] in a proposed or established pest management zone is entitled to:

(1) vote in a referendum concerning the pest management zone; and
(2) elect board members to represent the pest management zone.

SECTION 5.04. The changes in law made by this article to Sections 80.015(b) and 80.016(d), Agriculture Code, apply only to an election ordered on or after the effective date of this Act. An election ordered before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect when the election was ordered, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

ARTICLE 6. DISPOSITION OF LIVESTOCK EXPORT FACILITIES

SECTION 6.01. Section 2166.003, Government Code, is amended by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

(c) This chapter and Chapter 2175 do not apply to the disposition, sale, or transfer of a pen, shed, or ancillary building constructed by and for the Department of Agriculture for the processing of livestock before export.

ARTICLE 7. EFFECTIVE DATE

SECTION 7.01. Except as otherwise provided by this Act, this Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

Passed by the House on April 26, 2013: Yeas 130, Nays 10, 2 present, not voting; the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 1494 on May 21, 2013: Yeas 120, Nays 27, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 17, 2013: Yeas 28, Nays 1.

Approved June 14, 2013.

Effective September 1, 2013, except as otherwise provided by this Act.

CHAPTER 925

H.B. No. 1501

AN ACT

relating to the commemoration of September 11, 2001, at public schools.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:
SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 25, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 25.0821 to read as follows:

Sec. 25.0821. MINUTE OF SILENCE TO COMMEMORATE SEPTEMBER 11, 2001. (a) To commemorate the events of September 11, 2001, in each year that date falls on a regular school day, each public elementary or secondary school shall provide for the observance of one minute of silence at the beginning of the first class period of that day.

(b) Immediately before the period of observance required by this section, the class instructor shall make a statement of reference to the memory of individuals who died on September 11, 2001.

(c) The period of observance required by this section may be held in conjunction with the minute of silence required by Section 25.082.

SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2013–2014 academic year.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

Passed by the House on May 2, 2013: Yeas 146, Nays 1, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 22, 2013: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Approved June 14, 2013.
Effective June 14, 2013.

CHAPTER 926

H.B. No. 1503

AN ACT
relating to the appointment of building contractors to certain trade advisory boards of the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Section 1302.201, Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 1302.201. ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERSHIP. The air conditioning and refrigeration contractors advisory board consists of nine [so nine] members appointed by the presiding officer of the commission, with the commission's approval, and two ex officio nonvoting members. One member of the advisory board must be a public member.

SECTION 2. Section 1302.202(a), Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Except for the public member and the building contractor member, each appointed advisory board member must be experienced in the design, installation, construction, maintenance, service, repair, or modification of equipment used for environmental air conditioning, commercial refrigeration, or process cooling or heating. Other than the public member, of the appointed members:

(1) one must be an official of a municipality with a population of more than 250,000;
(2) one must be an official of a municipality with a population of not more than 250,000; [and]
(3) five [four] must be full-time licensed air conditioning and refrigeration contractors, as follows:

(A) one member who holds a Class A license and practices in a municipality with a population of more than 250,000;
(B) one member who holds a Class B license and practices in a municipality with a population of more than 250,000;
(C) one member who holds a Class A license and practices in a municipality with a population of more than 25,000 but not more than 250,000; [and]