

AN ACT

relating to the definition of an agricultural business for the purposes of the Texas Agricultural Finance Authority.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Subdivision (1), Section 58.002, Agriculture Code, is amended to read as follows:

(1) "Agricultural business" means:

(A) a business that is or proposes to be engaged in producing, processing, marketing, or exporting an agricultural product;

(B) an eligible applicant as defined in Subchapter E;

(C) the entity designated to carry out boll weevil eradication in accordance with Section 74.1011;

(D) any agriculture-related business in rural areas of Texas including a business that provides recreational activities, including hiking, fishing, hunting, or any other activity associated with the enjoyment of nature or the outdoors on agricultural land;

(E) a state agency or an institution of higher education that is engaged in producing an agricultural product;

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(F) a business that holds a permit under Subchapter L, Chapter 43, Parks and Wildlife Code; or

1                    (G) any other business in a rural area of this  
2 state.

3                    SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 948 passed the Senate on  
April 2, 2009, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 948 passed the House on  
April 21, 2009, by the following vote: Yeas 144, Nays 0, one  
present not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

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Date

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Governor