BILL ANALYSIS

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H.B. 1254 By: Wray (Birdwell) Administration 5/16/2017 Engrossed

AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Interested parties note the historical importance of the Waxahachie Chautauqua auditorium. H.B. 1254 recognizes this auditorium and its significance in the local community by designating July 26 as Waxahachie Chautauqua Day.

H.B. 1254 amends the Government Code to designate July 26 as Waxahachie Chautauqua Day in recognition of the Waxahachie Chautauqua auditorium and to promote the history of Chautauqua, the role Chautauqua plays in preserving communities, and the educational and cultural opportunities Chautauqua offers through community programs. The bill requires Waxahachie Chautauqua Day to be regularly observed by appropriate programs and activities.

H.B. 1254 amends current law relating to designating July 26 as Waxahachie Chautauqua Day.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Subchapter C, Chapter 662, Government Code, by adding Section 662.065, as follows:

Sec. 662.065. WAXAHACHIE CHAUTAUQUA DAY. (a) Provides that July 26 is Waxahachie Chautauqua Day in recognition of the Waxahachie Chautauqua auditorium and to promote the history of Chautauqua, the role Chautauqua plays in preserving communities, and the educational and cultural opportunities Chautauqua offers through community programs.

(b) Requires that Waxahachie Chautauqua Day be regularly observed by appropriate programs and activities.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2017.