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## Local Government Committee

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### HB 2433

**Brief Description:** Concerning administration of the southwest Washington fair by the Lewis county board of county commissioners.

**Sponsors:** Representative Orcutt.

**Brief Summary of Bill**

- Allows Lewis County to use the Southwest Washington Fairgrounds for fair and county purposes.

**Hearing Date:** 1/30/24

**Staff:** Elizabeth Allison (786-7129).

**Background:**

The Southwest Washington Fair Association is under the jurisdiction of the Lewis County Board of Commissioners (Board). Legal title for the fairgrounds is vested in the Board. The Board is authorized to appoint a citizens' commission (Commission) to advise and assist in carrying out the Southwest Washington Fair (Fair). The chair of the Board is required to serve as the chair of the Commission. The Commission may designate the treasurer of Lewis County as the Fair treasurer. Funds relating to fair activities must be kept separate and apart from Lewis County's general funds. The Board is authorized to acquire real property for Fair purposes and may construct and maintain improvements for such purposes.

**Summary of Bill:**

Fair property in Lewis County may be used for county purposes in addition to fair purposes. Funds relating to Fair activities must be managed and accounted for the same as other funds of

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Lewis County. The Board may acquire real property for Fair and county purposes and may construct and maintain improvements for those purposes.

**Appropriation:** None.

**Fiscal Note:** Requested on January 25, 2024.

**Effective Date:** The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of the session in which the bill is passed.