

HB 2476 -- CONCENTRATED ANIMAL FEEDING OPERATIONS

SPONSOR: Stephens (128)

Currently, county commissions and county health center boards may not promulgate orders, ordinances, rules or regulations that impose certain requirements or standards on an agricultural operation. This bill specifies that if the Department of Natural Resources receives a permit application to operate a concentrated animal feeding operation (CAFO) in a third class county that has adopted an order, ordinance, rule or regulation for permitted CAFOs, the ban on imposing certain requirements or standards on an agricultural operation only apply to the extent the Director of the Department determines is necessary to protect public health, environment, and certain rights of landowners.