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Duties of Appointed Highway Commissions

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County highway commissions that are not popularly elected, such as those elected by the county legislative body, or appointed by the county mayor/executive, may serve as an advisory body to the chief administrative officer. Appointed highway commissions may play a role in budgeting in some counties. In determining the exact role of the appointed highway commission, the private act establishing duties of the appointed highway commission must be carefully studied in light of the CUHL and other general laws.

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