

2-129i. Tax levies for fair associations in urban area counties; use of proceeds; protest petition and election. The board of county commissioners of any county designated as an urban area by K.S.A. 19-2654, and amendments thereto, and in which there is an officially recognized county fair association, upon request of the fair association, may make an annual tax levy of not to exceed 1/10 mill upon all the taxable tangible property of the county for the purpose of raising funds to be used for the purchase of land and the erection and maintenance of buildings and improvements thereon, including construction of streets and sewers for such fair association and to pay a portion of the principal and interest on bonds issued under the authority of K.S.A. 12-1774, and amendments thereto, by cities located in the county. No levy shall be made under the provisions of this section until a resolution authorizing the making of such levy is passed by the county commissioners and published for two consecutive issues in the official county paper. Whereupon, such levies may be made unless a petition in opposition thereto signed by not less than 5% of the qualified electors of the county, as determined by the vote for secretary of state at the last preceding election, is filed with the county election officer within 60 days following the last publication of the resolution of the board. In the event such a petition is filed, it shall be the duty of the board of commissioners to submit the question to the voters at an election called for such purpose or at the next general election. If no protest petition is filed or if the question is submitted on a question submitted ballot and those voting on the question shall vote in favor of such tax levy, then the board of county commissioners shall make such tax levies. The amounts collected by the county for the purposes hereinbefore specified from tax levies, except for an amount to pay a portion of the principal and interest on bonds issued under the authority of K.S.A. 12-1774, and amendments thereto, by cities located in the county, shall be paid to the fair association, upon request of the association.

History: L. 1974, ch. 101, § 1; L. 1978, ch. 2, § 1; L. 1979, ch. 52, § 14; L. 1990, ch. 66, § 10; L. 2004, ch. 101, § 4; L. 2013, ch. 71, § 4; July 1.