

**19-1596. Counties acquiring voting machines; building for storing and servicing and for other uses; resolution; plans and specifications; acquisition of site; costs; bonds.** The board of county commissioners of any county which has acquired or which hereafter may acquire voting machines pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 25-1307 through 25-1343, is hereby authorized to construct and equip a building, or to purchase an existing building and remodel the same, to be located in a suitable and desirable place in such county, for the primary purpose of housing, storing and servicing voting machines, provided such board of county commissioners shall, by resolution unanimously adopted by said board, find and determine that such county does not have either adequate or sufficient space for the housing, storing and servicing of such voting machines and such other related county records and equipment. Upon the adoption of such resolution, the board of county commissioners of such county shall estimate, determine and fix the total cost of acquiring a site for such building, if such be necessary, the erecting and equipping of a building, or the purchasing and remodeling of an existing building, which total cost shall not exceed one-fourth of one percent of the total assessed tangible valuation of such county at the time of the adopting of such resolution.

The board of county commissioners of such counties shall employ a competent licensed architect or architects to make surveys for the erecting and equipping of such building or the purchasing and remodeling of an existing building, to prepare plans and specifications therefor and to supervise all work to be performed in the erecting and equipping or in the remodeling of an existing building so acquired. The board of county commissioners of such counties is hereby authorized to provide space in said building for the office of the election commissioner of the county and for the carrying out of the several functions and duties of such office.

The board of county commissioners of such counties may, by and with the consent of the state department of social welfare, and the federal government, provide for the location of the several offices of the local county board of welfare and its employees in said building; and in connection therewith, such county board is authorized to receive grants and aids from the federal government in the erecting and equipping of such offices in such building to be used for social welfare purposes. In connection with the plan for the erecting and equipping of such building or the purchasing and remodeling of an existing building the board of county commissioners of such counties is further authorized to acquire a site, if one be needed for such building, either by purchase, gift or by the right of eminent domain under the general condemnation statute, and the cost of acquiring such vacant site or existing building shall be computed in the total cost of erecting and equipping or remodeling such building, as the case may be, and the total cost thereof shall not exceed one-fourth of one percent of the total assessed tangible valuation of such county.

The actual cost of acquiring a building site and of erecting and equipping such building, or an existing building, under the provisions of this act, may be paid from the proceeds of the sale of general obligation, negotiable bonds issued by such county in an aggregate amount not exceeding the said sum stated in the resolution to be unanimously adopted by such board of county commissioners.

**History:** L. 1959, ch. 151, § 1; June 30.