

24-601. Formation of drainage district by owners of swamp or overflowed lands; articles of association. Subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 19-270, a majority in interest of the owners in any contiguous body of swamp or overflowed lands in the state, located in one or more counties in this state, may form a drainage district for the purpose of having such land reclaimed and protected from the effects of water, by drainage or otherwise, and for that purpose may make and sign articles of association, in which shall be stated the name of the district, the limits of the proposed drainage district, which shall in no event embrace an area of less than 160 acres, the names and place of residence of the owners of the land in the district, and the description of each tract or parcel of land in the district owned by those who may organize the district and also the name or names and the description of the real estate owned by such as do not join in the organization of the district, but who will be benefited thereby, and such owners of real estate as are unknown may be set out in such article as such. The article shall further state that the owners of real estate so forming the district for such purpose are willing to obligate themselves to pay the tax or taxes which may be assessed against them to pay the expenses to make the improvements that may be necessary to effect the drainage of the lands so formed into a district, as provided by law, and after the article of association is signed the same is filed in the office of the clerk of the district court of the county in which such drainage district is located, or if such drainage district is composed of tracts or parcels of land in two or more different counties, then in the office of the clerk of the district court of the county in which the greater portion of the proposed drainage district is located, praying that they may be declared a drainage district under this article.

History: L. 1911, ch. 168, § 1; R.S. 1923, 24-601; L. 1983, ch. 118, § 14; L. 1986, ch. 70, § 30; May 15.