

**74-99b43. Financing bioscience development projects; issuing special obligation bonds.** (a) The Kansas development finance authority is hereby authorized to issue special obligation bonds pursuant to K.S.A. 74-8901 et seq., and amendments thereto, in one or more series to finance the undertaking of any bioscience development project in accordance with the provisions of this act. No special obligation bonds may be issued pursuant to this section unless the Kansas development finance authority has received a resolution of the board of the authority requesting the issuance of such bonds. Such special obligation bonds shall be made payable, both as to principal and interest from one or more of the following, as directed by the authority:

- (1) From ad valorem tax increments allocated to, and paid into the bioscience development bond fund for the payment of the project costs of a bioscience development project under the provisions of this section;
- (2) from any private sources, contributions or other financial assistance from the state or federal government;
- (3) from a pledge of a portion or all of the revenue received from transient guest, sales and use taxes collected pursuant to K.S.A. 12-1696 et seq., 79-3601 et seq., 79-3701 et seq. and 12-187 et seq., and amendments thereto, and which are collected from taxpayers doing business within that portion of the bioscience development district and paid into the bioscience development bond fund;
- (4) from a pledge of a portion or all increased revenue received by any city from franchise fees collected from utilities and other businesses using public right-of-way within the bioscience development district; or
- (5) by any combination of these methods.

(b) All tangible taxable property located within a bioscience development district shall be assessed and taxed for ad valorem tax purposes pursuant to law in the same manner that such property would be assessed and taxed if located outside such district, and all ad valorem taxes levied on such property shall be paid to and collected by the county treasurer in the same manner as other taxes are paid and collected. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the county treasurer shall distribute such taxes as may be collected in the same manner as if such property were located outside a bioscience development district. Each bioscience development district established under the provisions of this act shall constitute a separate taxing unit for the purpose of the computation and levy of taxes.

(c) Beginning with the first payment of taxes which are levied following the date of the establishment of the bioscience development district real property taxes received by the county treasurer resulting from taxes which are levied subject to the provisions of this act by and for the benefit of a taxing subdivision, as defined in K.S.A. 2016 Supp. 12-1770a, and amendments thereto, on property located within such bioscience development district constituting a separate taxing unit under the provisions of this section, shall be divided as follows:

(1) From the taxes levied each year subject to the provisions of this act by or for each of the taxing subdivisions upon property located within a bioscience development district constituting a separate taxing unit under the provisions of this act, the county treasurer first shall allocate and pay to each such taxing subdivision all of the real property taxes collected which are produced from the base year assessed valuation.

(2) Any real property taxes, except for property taxes levied for schools pursuant to K.S.A. 2016 Supp. 72-6470, and amendments thereto, produced from that portion of the current assessed valuation of real property within the bioscience development district constituting a separate taxing unit under the provisions of this section in excess of the base year assessed valuation shall be allocated and paid by the county treasurer to the bioscience development bond fund to pay the bioscience development project costs including the payment of principal and interest on any special obligation bonds to finance, in whole or in part, such bioscience development projects.

(d) The authority may pledge the bioscience development bond fund or other available revenue to the repayment of such special obligation bonds prior to, simultaneously with, or subsequent to the issuance of such special obligation bonds.

(e) Any bonds issued under the provisions of this act and the interest paid thereon, unless specifically declared to be taxable in the authorizing resolution of the Kansas development finance authority, shall be exempt from all state, county and municipal taxes, and the exemption shall include income, estate and property taxes.

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