80-1512. Creation of fire districts in certain townships; petition; notice and hearing; publication of resolution. Subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 19-270, the township board of any township having a population of more than 10,000 outside the limits of any incorporated city may create a fire district as provided herein, which fire district may include a part or all of the township outside of the limits of any incorporated city and of any other previously established fire district. Upon the filing with a township board of a petition signed by not less than 200 qualified electors within the limits of the fire district sought to be created, the township board, within 30 days after such filing, shall set a date for a public hearing upon the petition and give notice of such hearing by publication for three successive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the township.

Any such fire district may include territory within the boundaries of an incorporated city if the owners of not less than 51% of the area of the land in such territory within such incorporated city to be included in the fire district shall sign and file with the township board a statement assenting to the inclusion of such city territory in the fire district. The date of the hearing shall be not more than 10 days after the date of the last publication. Upon the hearing, or within 30 days thereafter, the township board shall either approve or reject the petition as filed or may modify the proposed fire district by excluding certain areas from the proposed district and approve the petition as modified. The action of the township board shall be by resolution which shall be published once in a newspaper of general circulation in the township.

History: L. 1947, ch. 482, § 1; L. 1953, ch. 465, § 1; L. 1957, ch. 524, § 1; L. 1986, ch. 70, § 34; May 15.