

**80-2516. Same; levy for hospital; limit; increase in levy; election required; distribution of tax revenue.** (a) The board may determine and fix an annual tax to be levied for the purpose of operating, equipping, maintaining and improving the hospital. Subject to the provisions of subsection (b), such tax shall not exceed two mills or the amount authorized to be levied in the year 1983, whichever is the greater amount. The board shall certify such levy to the county clerk of the county wherein the greater portion of territory of the taxing district is located. The county clerk to whom the levy is certified shall certify the final tax levy rate computed pursuant to K.S.A. 79-1803 and amendments thereto of such taxing district to the county clerk of every other county in which a part of the territory of such taxing district is located. Such tax levy shall be in addition to all other tax levies authorized or limited by law and shall not be subject to the aggregate tax levy limitation imposed by law upon the political subdivision.

(b) No levy in excess of the limitation imposed under subsection (a) shall be made unless and until the board shall adopt a resolution authorizing a levy therefor in excess thereof. Thereafter such levy in an amount not to exceed that specified in the resolution may be made unless a petition in opposition thereto, signed by not less than 5% of the qualified electors of the taxing district, is filed with the county election officer of the county in which the greater portion of the area of such taxing district is located. In the event a petition in opposition to such levy is filed hereunder, no levy in excess of the amount previously authorized shall be made until the question of making the same has been submitted to the qualified electors of the taxing district at a special election called for that purpose and a majority of those voting thereon shall have voted in favor thereof. All such elections shall be called and held in the manner provided for the calling and holding of elections upon the question of the issuance of bonds under the general bond law.

(c) All taxes collected for a hospital district shall be distributed and paid to the treasurer of the board of such hospital district in the manner provided for distribution of taxes pursuant to K.S.A. 12-1678a and amendments thereto. The treasurer of the hospital district upon receiving such money shall issue a receipt to the county treasurer and the county clerk of the county sending such money. The county clerk of the county sending such money, upon receiving such a receipt, shall notify the board of county commissioners of such county, and it shall give the county treasurer proper credit therefor.

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