

2-1322. Purchase and use of equipment and chemicals; sale of chemicals, price; charges for use of machinery and equipment; record of purchases, sales and charges. (a) The board of county commissioners, or the governing body of incorporated cities, cooperating with the secretary of agriculture, shall purchase or provide for needed and necessary equipment and necessary chemical material for the control and eradication of noxious weeds. The board of county commissioners of any county or the governing body of any city may use any equipment or materials purchased as provided for in this section, upon the highways, streets and alleys, for the treatment and eradication of weeds which have not been declared noxious by legislative action.

(b) Except as provided in K.S.A. 2-1333, and amendments thereto, the board of county commissioners shall sell chemical material to the landowners in their jurisdiction at a price fixed by the board of county commissioners which shall be in an amount equal to not less than 50% nor more than 75% of the total cost incurred by the county in purchasing, storing and handling such chemical materials used in the control and eradication of noxious weeds, and may make such charge for the use of machines or other equipment and operators as may be deemed by them sufficient to cover the actual cost of operation. However, once the tax levying body of a county, city or township has authorized a tax levy of 1.5 mills or more, the board of county commissioners may collect from the landowners in their jurisdiction an amount equal to 75% but not more than 100% of the total cost incurred by the county in purchasing, storing and handling of chemical materials used in the control and eradication of noxious weeds.

(c) Whenever official methods of eradication adopted by the secretary of agriculture are not used in applying the chemical material purchased, the board of county commissioners may collect the remaining portion of the total cost thereof from the landowner.

(d) The board of county commissioners, township boards, and the governing body of cities shall keep a record showing purchases of material and equipment for control and eradication of noxious weeds. The board of county commissioners and the governing body of cities shall also keep a complete itemized record showing sales for cash or charge sales of material and shall maintain a record of charges and receipts for use of equipment owned by each county or city on public and private land. Such records shall be open to inspection by citizens of Kansas at all times.

History: L. 1937, ch. 1, § 9; L. 1945, ch. 3, § 5; L. 1957, ch. 7, § 7; L. 1976, ch. 6, § 2; L. 1979, ch. 5, § 2; L. 1988, ch. 3, § 2; L. 1991, ch. 4, § 2; L. 1999, ch. 154, § 30; L. 2004, ch. 101, § 31; July 1.