

**12-11a01. Law enforcement services in certain counties; tax levy, use of proceeds; adoption and publication of resolution; protest petition and election.** Whenever the board of county commissioners of any county having a population of more than twenty-one thousand (21,000) and an assessed taxable tangible valuation of not more than fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000) shall by resolution determine that it is essential for the protection of persons and property within such county to provide additional law enforcement services, such board is hereby authorized to levy a tax of not to exceed one-half mill upon all taxable tangible property within such county to pay the costs thereof and to pay a portion of the principal and interest on bonds issued under the authority of K.S.A. 12-1774, and amendments thereto, by cities located in the county. Before any tax is levied under the provisions of this section the board of county commissioners shall adopt a resolution authorizing the levy of such tax, stating the amount thereof and the purpose for which the same is levied. Such resolution shall be published once each week for three consecutive weeks in the official newspaper of the county and if within thirty (30) days next following the date of the last publication of such resolution, a petition, signed by electors equal in number to not less than five percent (5%) of the qualified electors of the county, is filed in the office of the county election officer, no levy shall be made under the provisions of this section without the question of levying the same having been submitted to and been approved by a majority of the electors of the county voting at an election called and held for such purpose. All such elections shall be noticed, called and held in the manner provided for the giving of notice, calling and holding elections upon the question of the issuance of bonds under the general bond law.

**History:** L. 1972, ch. 92, § 1; L. 1979, ch. 52, § 36; July 1.