

68-1414. Same; changing channel of river or erection of structures; use of funds; bonds. Whenever it is necessary to replace, reconstruct, or repair any bridge over any navigable river on any county road, which road connects with a county road of another county within or outside this state, or to protect any such bridge by changing the channel of the river or by the erection of structures, such as levees, jetties or other structures necessary to protect the new channel or such bridge, and which bridge shall have been destroyed or rendered impassable by flood, high water, fire or other casualty, then the board of county commissioners is hereby authorized and empowered to expend not to exceed the sum of \$160,000 to pay the entire cost or the county's share of the cost of such replacement, reconstruction or repair of such bridge or such change of channel or erection of the structures hereinbefore described. No such change of channel shall be made without first securing the approval of the chief engineer of the division of water resources of the Kansas department of agriculture. Such expenditure may be made from any unallocated and available funds in the county road and bridge fund or from revenue derived from the issuance of bonds, or from the separate fund for the construction of roads and bridges on the county secondary system or from two or more of such sources, and such county is hereby authorized to issue bonds for such purpose. Such bonds shall be issued, registered, sold, delivered and retired in accordance with the provisions of the general bond law and may be issued without submitting the question of their issuance to a vote of the electors. The board of county commissioners may receive and expend any federal, state, or other funds made available for such improvement which expenditure may be in addition to the amount authorized to be expended by the county. The provisions of K.S.A. 19-214, 19-215 and 19-216, and amendments thereto, shall be applicable to any improvement made under the authority conferred by this section. This act shall be construed as a separate and additional method for the replacement, reconstruction and repair of bridges and no other law of this state except as herein expressly provided shall apply. The total amount expended by any county under the authority conferred by this section plus the amount expended by such county under the authority conferred by K.S.A. 68-1413, and amendments thereto, shall not exceed the sum of \$160,000.

History: L. 1953, ch. 311, § 1; L. 1971, ch. 223, § 5; L. 2004, ch. 101, § 106; July 1.