

**72-1623a. Same; tax levy.** (a) In order to maintain and support a library authorized by K.S.A. 72-1623, and amendments thereto, the board of education may levy annually, not to exceed 2.5 mills on each dollar of the assessed tangible valuation of the property of such district in addition to any levy otherwise authorized or by law provided, and the ad valorem receipts resulting therefrom may be in addition to any budget limitation otherwise provided for. The funds derived from the tax levies imposed under this section shall be used for libraries and library services of the school district and for the purpose of paying a portion of the principal and interest on bonds issued by cities under the authority of K.S.A. 12-1774, and amendments thereto, for the financing of redevelopment projects upon property located within the school district.

(b) Whenever the board of education desires to increase the mill levy above 2.5 mills and such board determines that the current tax levy is insufficient to maintain and support the library, such board may adopt a resolution declaring it necessary to increase such annual levy in an amount which together with the current levy shall not exceed a total of 4 mills. Whenever the board of education desires to increase the mill levy above 4 mills and such board determines that the current tax levy is insufficient to maintain and support the library, such board may adopt a resolution declaring it necessary to increase such annual levy by an additional amount not to exceed 1/4 mill in any one year up to a total amount which shall not exceed 6 mills in any year. Any such resolution shall state the total amount of the tax to be levied for library purposes and shall be published once each week for two consecutive weeks in the official city newspaper. Whereupon such annual levy in an amount not to exceed the amount stated in the resolution may be made for the ensuing budget year and each successive budget year unless a petition requesting an election upon the proposition to increase the tax levy in excess of the current tax levy, signed by not less than 5% of the qualified electors who voted at the last preceding regular city election, as shown by the poll books, is filed with the county election officer within 60 days following the date of the last publication of the resolution. If a valid petition is filed, no such increased levy shall be made without such proposition having been submitted to and having been approved by a majority of the qualified electors voting at an election called and held thereon. All such elections shall be called and held in the manner prescribed for the calling and holding of elections upon the question of the issuance of bonds under the general bond law.

**History:** L. 1965, ch. 426, § 1; L. 1979, ch. 52, § 168; L. 1981, ch. 280, § 1; L. 1985, ch. 239, § 1; L. 2003, ch. 104, § 2; July 1.