

**20-356. Additional judges or divisions of court; payment of costs and expenses from county general fund, no-fund warrants or general obligation bonds.** Any county in which additional divisions of the district court are established or in which additional district magistrate judge positions are established, may pay all of the costs and expenses incidental to or arising out of the establishment, operation and maintenance of the facilities for such additional divisions or positions during the year in which they are established, out of the general fund of the county or if it does not have sufficient moneys available in its general fund for such purpose, such county is hereby authorized and empowered to issue during such year, no-fund warrants for the purpose of providing funds to pay all expenses, costs, salaries payable by any such county and costs incidental to or arising out of the establishment, maintenance and operation of such division or position, including the providing and equipping of courtrooms and other necessary offices and costs incidental thereto or arising therefrom or whenever the board of county commissioners considers it advisable, such board may issue general obligation bonds of the county to pay all of the costs and expenses incidental to or arising out of the establishment, operation and maintenance of facilities for such additional divisions or positions other than costs incurred for payment of salaries, and for the purpose of redeeming no-fund warrants issued under the authority of this section except no-fund warrants issued for payment of salaries. Such no-fund warrants shall be issued in the manner and form, bear interest and be redeemed as prescribed by K.S.A. 79-2940, and amendments thereto, except they may be issued without the approval of the state board of tax appeals and without the notation required by K.S.A. 79-2940, and amendments thereto.

If such no-fund warrants are issued under the provisions of this act, the county issuing the same shall make a tax levy at the first tax levying period after such warrants are issued sufficient to pay the same and the interest thereon. Any such county may make expenditures from its general fund during the year in which the divisions or positions of the board are created for any of the purposes hereinbefore described, even though such expenditures were not included in the county budget for that year.

General obligation bonds issued under the authority of this section shall be issued in the manner prescribed by the general bond law but shall not be subject to or within any bonded debt limitation prescribed by any other law of this state and shall not be considered or included in applying any other law limiting bonded indebtedness.

**History:** L. 1968, ch. 402, § 7; L. 1972, ch. 98, § 3; L. 1976, ch. 146, § 46; L. 1977, ch. 92, § 2; L. 1978, ch. 113, § 1; L. 1986, ch. 115, § 47; L. 1990, ch. 66, § 37; L. 2008, ch. 109, § 51; L. 2014, ch. 141, § 45; July 1.