

AN ACT AUTHORIZING CITIES AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO OPERATE SYSTEMS OF
PUBLIC RECREATION AND PLAYGROUNDS AND LEVY TAXES FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT
AND MAINTENANCE THEREOF.

Be it enacted by the legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. Any city or school district may operate a system of public recreation and playgrounds, acquire equipment and maintain land, buildings or other recreational facilities, employ a superintendent of recreation and assistants, vote and expend funds for the operation of such a system.

Section 2. Any city or school district may operate such system independently or they may cooperate in its conduct in any manner in which they may mutually agree, or they may delegate the operation of the system to a recreation board created by any or all of them. Provided, however, that such recreation system shall not be conducted by both the city and school district independently.

Section 3 Any municipal corporation or board given charge of the recreation system is authorized to conduct its activities on (1) property under its custody and management; (2) other public property under the custody of other municipal corporations or boards and with the consent of such corporations or boards; (3) private property with the consent of the owners; (4) to receive gifts from any source whatsoever.

Section 4. Whenever a petition signed by at least five (5%) per cent of the qualified and registered voters of such city or school district shall be filed with the clerk thereof, requesting the governing body of such city or school district to provide, establish, maintain and conduct a supervised recreation system and to levy an annual tax for the conduct and maintenance thereof of one-half of one (1) mill on each dollar of assessed valuation of all taxable property within the corporate limits or jurisdiction of such city or school district, it shall be the duty of the governing body of such city or school district to cause the question of the establishment, maintenance and conduct of such supervised recreation system to be submitted to the qualified voters thereof to be voted upon in the next regular or special election of such city or school district; provided, however, that such question shall not be voted upon at the next regular or special election unless such petition shall have been filed at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of such election.

Section 5. The above-mentioned petition may be directed to the governing body of the city or school district, or it may be directed to the governing bodies of said city and school district jointly. Where said petition is directed to the governing body of the city and school district jointly, it may be filed with the clerk of either the city or school district. Upon receipt of said petition, said clerk shall set a day for the joint meeting of the two governing bodies for the consideration of said petition and the submission of said proposition to the electors, if said petition shall be found sufficient.