

AMENDMENTS TO LB267

Introduced by Government, Military and Veterans Affairs.

1 1. Strike the original sections and insert the following new
2 sections:

3 Section 1. Section 23-120, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
4 amended to read:

5 23-120 (1) The county board (a) shall, pursuant to a two-thirds
6 majority vote, acquire, purchase, construct, renovate, remodel, furnish,
7 equip, add to, improve, or provide a suitable courthouse, jail, and other
8 county buildings and a site or sites therefor, and (b) may, pursuant to a
9 two-thirds majority vote and a declaration by resolution that an
10 emergency exists, repair, retrofit, reconstruct, or replace any bridge
11 owned by the county which is (i) destroyed or damaged as a result of a
12 natural disaster for which a federal disaster declaration was issued by
13 the President of the United States or (ii) designated as scour critical
14 or structurally deficient pursuant to Department of Transportation
15 standards, and for such purposes borrow money and issue the bonds of the
16 county to pay for the same. Agreements entered into under section
17 25-412.03 shall be deemed to be in compliance with this section. The
18 board shall keep such buildings and bridges in repair and provide
19 suitable rooms and offices for the accommodation of the several courts of
20 record, Nebraska Workers' Compensation Court or any judge thereof,
21 Commissioner of Labor for the conduct and operation of the state free
22 employment service, county board, county clerk, county treasurer, county
23 sheriff, clerk of the district court, county surveyor, county
24 agricultural agent, and county attorney if the county attorney holds his
25 or her office at the county seat and shall provide suitable furniture and
26 equipment therefor. All such courts which desire such accommodation shall
27 be suitably housed in the courthouse.

1 (2) No levy exceeding (a) two million dollars in counties having in
2 excess of two hundred fifty thousand inhabitants, (b) one million dollars
3 in counties having in excess of one hundred thousand inhabitants and not
4 in excess of two hundred fifty thousand inhabitants, (c) three hundred
5 thousand dollars in counties having in excess of thirty thousand
6 inhabitants and not in excess of one hundred thousand inhabitants, or (d)
7 one hundred fifty thousand dollars in all other counties shall be made
8 within a one-year period for any of the purposes specified in subsection
9 (1) of this section without first submitting the proposition to a vote of
10 the people of the county at a general election or a special election
11 ordered by the board for that purpose and obtaining the approval of a
12 majority of the legal voters thereon.

13 (3)(a) The county board of any county in this state may, when
14 requested so to do by petition signed by at least a majority of the legal
15 voters in the county based on the average vote of the two preceding
16 general elections, make an annual levy of not to exceed seventeen and
17 five-tenths cents on each one hundred dollars upon the taxable value of
18 all the taxable property in the county for any of the purposes specified
19 in subsection (1) of this section.

20 (b) If a county on the day it first initiates a project for any of
21 the purposes specified in subsection (1) of this section had no bonded
22 indebtedness payable from its general fund levy, the county board may
23 make an annual levy of not to exceed five and two-tenths cents on each
24 one hundred dollars upon the taxable value of all the taxable property of
25 the county for a project or projects for any of the purposes specified in
26 subsection (1) of this section without the filing of a petition described
27 in subdivision (3)(a) of this section. The county board shall designate
28 the particular project for which such levy shall be expended, the period
29 of years, which shall not exceed twenty, for which the tax will be levied
30 for such project, and the number of cents of the levy for each year
31 thereof. The county board may designate more than one project and levy a

1 tax pursuant to this section for each such project, concurrently or
2 consecutively, as the case may be, if the aggregate levy in each year and
3 the duration of each levy will not exceed the limitations specified in
4 this subsection. Each levy for a project which is authorized by this
5 subdivision may be imposed for such duration specified by the county
6 board notwithstanding the contemporaneous existence or subsequent
7 imposition of any other levy or levies for another project or projects
8 imposed pursuant to this subdivision and notwithstanding the subsequent
9 issuance by the county of bonded indebtedness payable from its general
10 fund levy.

11 Sec. 2. Original section 23-120, Reissue Revised Statutes of
12 Nebraska, is repealed.