AN ACT concerning counties; relating to the reconstruction or repair of bridges; pertaining to emergency conditions; amending K.S.A. 19-216a and repealing the existing section.

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

Section 1. K.S.A. 19-216a is hereby amended to read as follows: 19-216a. The provisions of K.S.A. 19-214, 19-215 and 19-216, and amendments thereto, shall not apply to contracts for the expenditure of county moneys for the reconstruction or repair of a bridge if:

(a) (1) The bridge has been damaged or destroyed as a result of a disaster;
(b) (2) the governor has declared the county, or that part of the county in which the bridge is located, a disaster area;
(e) (3) the board of county commissioners finds that a hardship would result if the bridge is not immediately reconstructed or repaired;
(d) (4) the board of county commissioners has obtained an estimate of the cost of the reconstruction or repair of the bridge from the county engineer. If there is no county engineer, the board shall obtain such estimate from the Kansas department of transportation; and
(e) (5) the contract for the reconstruction or repair of the bridge is awarded within 60 days of the governor's declaration required by paragraph (a)(2);
(b) (1) the board of county commissioners finds that an emergency condition exists based upon public health and safety that requires immediate reconstruction or repair;
(2) the board of county commissioners has obtained an estimate of the cost of the reconstruction or repair of the bridge from the county engineer. If there is no county engineer, the board shall obtain such estimate from the Kansas department of transportation;
(3) a full written account of the emergency reconstruction or repairs, including the materials, supplies, labor or equipment required therefor, shall be filed with the board of county commissioners immediately upon completion; and
(4) such emergency repairs may be done without complying with any other requirement for publication, competitive bidding or contract, including any such requirements in chapter 68 of the Kansas Statutes.
Annotated, and amendments thereto.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 19-216a is hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.