2012 Kansas Statutes

19-2680. County charters in counties declared to be urban areas; adoption and amendment; charter to govern local legislation and administration; authorized provisions; limitations. Any county which has been declared to be an urban area under the provisions of K.S.A. 19-2654 is hereby authorized to adopt, and from time to time amend, a charter for the government of such county. Such charter shall provide for the exercise of powers of local legislation and administration not inconsistent with general law or the constitution of the state of Kansas, and may:

(a) Fix the boundaries of each county commissioner's district, provide a method for changing them from time to time, and fix the number, term, and compensation of the commissioners and their method of election, and shall define and outline duties and powers of the county commissioners;

(b) provide for the exercise of such powers similar or identical to the powers permitted under K.S.A. 19-101 and article 39 of chapter 12 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated;

(c) provide in the charter a method for its amendment;

(d) determine the distribution of legislative and administrative duties of the county officials, provide for consolidation or expansion of services as necessary, authorize the appointment of a county administrator or a county manager, and prescribe the general structure of county government; and

(e) authorize the appointment of or elimination of elective officials and offices within the charter similar or identical to that authorization permitted the board of county commissioners under article 39 of chapter 12 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated.

History: L. 1975, ch. 151, § 1; L. 1976, ch. 132, § 1; April 23.