AN ACT concerning property taxation; relating to consolidated fire
districts, powers and duties of the governing body; amending K.S.A.
2014 Supp. 12-3915 and repealing the existing section.

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

Section 1. K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 12-3915 is hereby amended to read as
follows: 12-3915. The governing body of any fire district created pursuant
to this act shall have the authority to:
(a) Levy taxes and special assessments as provided by law. Except as
provided by K.S.A. 12-3913, and amendments thereto, the governing body
shall fix the amount of the tax, not to exceed 15 mills, to be levied upon all
taxable tangible property in the consolidated fire district;
(b) enter into contracts;
(c) acquire and dispose of real and personal property;
(d) acquire, construct, reconstruct, equip, operate, maintain and
furnish buildings to house fire-fighting equipment;
(e) acquire, operate and maintain fire-fighting equipment;
(f) issue general obligation bonds and no-fund warrants;
(g) pay compensation and salaries to fire district employees;
(h) exercise eminent domain;
(i) pay the operation and maintenance expenses of the fire district and
other expenses legally incurred by the district;
(j) select regular employees, provide for their compensation and
furnish quarters for such employees if deemed desirable;
(k) provide for the organization of volunteer members who may be
compensated for fighting fires, responding to emergencies or attending
meetings;
(l) provide special clothing and equipment for such employees and
volunteers;
(m) insure such employees and volunteers against accidental death
and injury in the performance of their duties;
(n) pay for the acquisition, installation or maintenance of one or more
fire hydrants, or similar devices for fighting fires, including necessary
equipment, services or supplies related thereto.
The acquisition, installation and maintenance shall be subject to the
mutual agreement of the governing body of the fire district and the
(o) do all things necessary or desirable to maintain and operate such
department so as to furnish fire protection for the inhabitants of the district
and otherwise effectuate the purposes of this act.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 12-3915 is hereby repealed.
Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
publication in the statute book.