

SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
HOUSE BILL NO. 5098

A bill to amend 1925 PA 368, entitled

"An act to prohibit obstructions and encroachments on public highways, to provide for the removal thereof, to prescribe the conditions under which telegraph, telephone, power, and other public utility companies, cable television companies and municipalities may enter upon, construct and maintain telegraph, telephone, power or cable television lines, pipe lines, wires, cables, poles, conduits, sewers and like structures upon, over, across or under public roads, bridges, streets and waters and to provide penalties for the violation of this act,"

by amending section 13 (MCL 247.183), as amended by 2005 PA 103.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1           Sec. 13. (1) Except as otherwise provided under subsection  
2           (2), telegraph, telephone, power, and other public utility  
3           companies, cable television companies, **BROADBAND COMPANIES**, and  
4           municipalities may enter upon, construct, and maintain telegraph,  
5           telephone, or power lines, ~~pipe lines~~, **PIPELINES**, wires, cables,  
6           poles, conduits, sewers or similar structures upon, over, across,

1 or under any public road, bridge, street, or public place,  
2 including, longitudinally within limited access highway rights-of-  
3 way, and across or under any of the waters in this state, with all  
4 necessary erections and fixtures for that purpose. A telegraph,  
5 telephone, power, and other public utility company, cable  
6 television company, **BROADBAND COMPANY**, and municipality, before any  
7 of this work is commenced, shall first obtain the consent of the  
8 governing body of the city, village, or township through or along  
9 which these lines and poles are to be constructed and maintained.

10 (2) A utility as defined in 23 CFR ~~645.105(m)~~ **645.105** may  
11 enter upon, construct, and maintain utility lines and structures,  
12 including ~~pipe lines,~~ **PIPELINES**, longitudinally within limited  
13 access highway rights-of-way and under any public road, street, or  
14 other subsurface that intersects any limited access highway at a  
15 different grade, in accordance with standards approved by the state  
16 transportation commission and the Michigan public service  
17 commission that conform to governing federal laws and regulations  
18 and is not required to obtain the consent of the governing body of  
19 the city, village, or township as required under subsection (1).  
20 The standards ~~shall~~ **MUST** require that the lines and structures be  
21 underground and be placed in a manner that will not increase  
22 highway maintenance costs for the state transportation department.  
23 The standards may provide for the imposition of a reasonable charge  
24 for longitudinal use of limited access highway rights-of-way. The  
25 imposition of a reasonable charge is a governmental function,  
26 offsetting a portion of the capital, maintenance, and permitting  
27 expense of the limited access highway, and is not a proprietary

1 function. The charge ~~shall~~**MUST** be calculated to reflect a 1-time  
2 installation permit fee that ~~shall~~**DOES** not exceed \$1,000.00 per  
3 mile of longitudinal use of limited access highway rights-of-way  
4 with a minimum fee of \$5,000.00 per permit. If the 1-time  
5 installation permit fee does not cover the reasonable and actual  
6 costs to the department in issuing the permit, the department may  
7 assess the utility for the remaining balance. All revenue received  
8 under this subsection ~~shall~~**MUST** be used for capital and  
9 maintenance expenses incurred for limited access highways,  
10 including the cost of issuing the permit.

11 **(3) IF A CITY, VILLAGE, TOWNSHIP, COUNTY, OR COUNTY ROAD**  
12 **COMMISSION OR THE STATE TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT REQUESTS OR**  
13 **REQUIRES AN ENTITY HOLDING A LICENSE UNDER THE MICHIGAN**  
14 **TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT, 1991 PA 179, MCL 484.2101 TO 484.2603, OR**  
15 **HOLDING A FRANCHISE UNDER THE UNIFORM VIDEO SERVICES LOCAL**  
16 **FRANCHISE ACT, 2006 PA 480, MCL 484.3301 TO 484.3315, TO RELOCATE**  
17 **FACILITIES, THE CITY, VILLAGE, TOWNSHIP, COUNTY, OR COUNTY ROAD**  
18 **COMMISSION OR THE STATE TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT MAY REQUIRE THE**  
19 **ENTITY TO OBTAIN A PERMIT FOR THE RELOCATION OF THE FACILITIES BUT**  
20 **SHALL WAIVE ANY PERMIT FEES INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, ANY**  
21 **PERMIT FEE UNDER SUBSECTION (2). THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT APPLY IF**  
22 **THE REQUEST TO RELOCATE FACILITIES WAS DUE TO AN ENTITY PLACING**  
23 **FACILITIES IN A LOCATION NOT AUTHORIZED BY A CURRENT OR PREVIOUS**  
24 **PERMIT.**

25 **(4) ~~(3)~~**A person engaged in the collection of traffic data or  
26 the provision of travel-related information or assistance may enter  
27 upon, construct, and maintain electronic devices and related

1 structures within limited access and other highway rights-of-way in  
2 accordance with standards approved by the state transportation  
3 commission that conform to governing federal laws and regulations.  
4 The standards ~~shall~~**MUST** require that the devices and structures be  
5 placed in a manner that will not impede traffic and will not  
6 increase maintenance costs for the state transportation department.  
7 The state transportation department may enter into agreements to  
8 authorize the use of property acquired for or designated as a  
9 highway or acquired for or designated for ancillary purposes for  
10 the installation, operation, and maintenance of commercial or  
11 noncommercial electronic devices and related structures for the  
12 collection of traffic data or to assist in providing travel-related  
13 information or assistance to motorists who subscribe to travel-  
14 related services, the public, or the department. Any revenue  
15 generated by the agreements ~~shall~~**MUST** be deposited in the state  
16 trunk line fund **ESTABLISHED UNDER SECTION 11 OF 1951 PA 51, MCL**  
17 **247.661**. The department may accept facilities or in-kind services  
18 to be used for public purposes in lieu of, or in addition to,  
19 monetary compensation.  
20 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days  
21 after the date it is enacted into law.