

**MUNICIPAL LIGHTING AUTHORITY ACT (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 392 of 2012**

**123.1265 Legislative intent; authority; manner of carrying out powers; public municipal corporation; lighting system assets; transfer of ownership or operational control.**

Sec. 5. (1) It is the intent of this act to provide an equitable and reasonable method and means of financing, operating, and maintaining a lighting system to supply lighting in sufficient quantities to a local government.

(2) The powers of the authority shall be carried out in a manner authorized by this act.

(3) A local government, by majority vote of its governing body, may incorporate an authority comprising the territory within its respective limits for acquiring, constructing, consolidating, purchasing, operating, or maintaining a municipally owned lighting system. The authority is a public municipal corporation with the rights, powers, and duties as provided in this act.

(4) Nothing in this act, nor the creation of an authority, shall be construed as transferring the ownership of any lighting system assets to the authority unless the transfer is specified in the articles of incorporation of the authority as provided in section 9 and the transfer is ratified in accordance with all applicable laws.

(5) A transfer of ownership or operational control of a lighting system to an authority shall not be considered a sale, lease, or disposal of any kind of an asset by the local government under any state or local law.

**History:** 2012, Act 392, Imd. Eff. Dec. 19, 2012.