

MUNICIPALITIES, DIVIDING LINES
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AN ACT

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Providing for the grading, curbing, draining, paving and/or macadamizing of highways, the center line of which constitutes the dividing line between a city and a borough, or a city and a township of the first class, or a borough and a township of the first class, and for the collection of the whole or part of the cost of such improvements by assessments against property abutting on the line of the improvement.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That whenever the center line of any highway constitutes the dividing line between a city and a borough, or a city and a township of the first class, or a borough and a township of the first class, located in the same county, the council of such city, borough and the board of commissioners of such township may, where such improvement is through built up property or properties duly plotted and laid out in lots for building purposes, and where two-thirds of the combined frontage of the two sides petition for the improvement, enter into a contract providing for the grading, curbing, draining, paving and/or macadamizing of such highway. Such alterations and improvements shall be made under the supervision of the proper authorities of such city, borough or township, or by contract let by such city, borough or township, as may be provided for in the contract between the city and township.

Section 2. No ordinance or ordinances authorizing any such improvement, where the whole or any part of the cost of the improvement is to be assessed against abutting property, shall be finally adopted until the expiration of thirty days from the date of its introduction, and, in the meantime, copies thereof shall be published, once a week for two weeks, in one newspaper circulating in such city, borough and township immediately following the introduction thereof, and at least five copies thereof shall be posted along the line of the proposed improvement.

Section 3. The whole cost of such alterations and improvements, or any part thereof, as may be agreed upon in the contract between the city and township, may be collected from the owners of property within the city, borough, and within the township, abutting along the line of the improvement, by an equal assessment on the foot front. Any portion of such cost not assessed against abutting property shall be paid one-half by each of the municipal divisions joining in the improvement.

Section 4. Thirty days notice of assessments of the whole cost or part of the cost of any such improvement shall be given to each party assessed, either by service on the owner or his agent, or posted on the premises by the clerk or secretary of the city, borough or township making the improvement. If any assessment shall remain unpaid at the expiration of the notice, it shall be the duty of the city, borough or township solicitor, as the case may be, to collect the same, with interest from the

time of the completion of the improvement, by action of assumpsit, or by a lien to be filed and collected in the same manner as municipal claims. When an owner has two or more lots against which there is an assessment for the same improvement, all of such lots shall be embraced in one claim.