
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 1600 Session of
2000

INTRODUCED BY HOLL, NOVEMBER 28, 2000

REFERRED TO TRANSPORTATION, NOVEMBER 28, 2000

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of June 1, 1945 (P.L.1242, No.428), entitled
2 "An act relating to roads, streets, highways and bridges;
3 amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws
4 administered by the Secretary of Highways and by the
5 Department of Highways relating thereto," further providing
6 for provisions applicable to all municipalities.

7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
8 hereby enacts as follows:

9 Section 1. Section 561 of the act of June 1, 1945 (P.L.1242,
10 No.428), known as the State Highway Law, added December 18, 1985
11 (P.L.336, No.92), is amended by adding a subsection to read:

12 Section 561. Municipal Work and Reimbursement.--(a) A
13 municipality and the department shall have the power to enter
14 into a contract for the municipality to perform minor routine
15 maintenance work on the roadway and shoulders of any State
16 highway located within the municipal boundaries of the
17 municipality.

18 (b) Each municipality which completes the work described in
19 subsection (a) shall be relieved from any tort liability arising

1 after completion of such work if the completed project conforms
2 to the standards of the contract as agreed to by the department.

3 (c) Each municipality shall be entitled to receive payment
4 or reimbursement from the department, in accordance with the
5 contract, if the work is completed to the standards of the
6 contract as agreed to by the department.

7 (d) Nothing contained in this subdivision shall impair,
8 suspend, contract, enlarge, extend or affect in any manner the
9 powers and duties of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
10 as contained in sections 2702, 2703 and 2704 of Title 66 of the
11 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes (relating to public
12 utilities).

13 (e) The department shall provide the same level of
14 maintenance for the storm water minimization and containment
15 infrastructure within borough limits as it does for such
16 infrastructure in townships.

17 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.