



# Highways Act 1980

## 1980 CHAPTER 66

### PART V

#### IMPROVEMENT OF HIGHWAYS

##### *Miscellaneous improvements*

#### **97 Lighting of highways.**

- (1) The Minister and every local highway authority may provide lighting for the purposes of any highway or proposed highway for which they are or will be the highway authority, and may for that purpose—
  - (a) contract with any persons for the supply of gas, electricity or other means of lighting; and
  - (b) construct and maintain such lamps, posts and other works as they consider necessary.
- (2) A highway authority may alter or remove any works constructed by them under this section or vested in them under Part III of the <sup>M1</sup>Local Government Act 1966 or section 270 below.
- (3) A highway authority shall pay compensation to any person who sustains damage by reason of the execution of works under this section.
- (4) Section 45 of the <sup>M2</sup>Public Health Act 1961 (attachment of street lamps to buildings) and section 81 of that Act (summary recovery of damages for negligence) apply to a highway authority who are not a council of a kind therein mentioned as they apply to such a council.

#### **Marginal Citations**

**M1** 1966 c. 42.

**M2** 1961 c. 64.

**Status:**

Point in time view as at 12/02/2003. This version of this provision has been superseded.

**Changes to legislation:**

Highways Act 1980, Section 97 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 25 June 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.