STATE BRIDGE COMMISSION; PUBLIC WORKS (EXCERPT)
Act 147 of 1935

254.152 State bridge commission; definitions.

Sec. 2. Definitions. As used in this act, the following words and terms shall have the following meanings:

(a) The word “commission” shall mean the state bridge commission hereinafter created, or, if said state bridge commission shall be abolished, any board or officer succeeding to the principal functions thereof or upon whom the powers given by this act to said commission shall be given by law.

(b) The word “works” shall include all property, rights, easements and franchises relating thereto and deemed or convenient for their operation, and shall embrace an international bridge over, and ferries across the Saint Clair River at or near Port Huron.

(c) The word “improvements” shall mean such repairs, replacements, additions and betterments of and to works acquired by purchase as are deemed necessary to place them in a safe and efficient condition for the use of the public, if such repairs, replacements, additions and betterments are ordered prior to the sale of any bonds for the acquisition of such works.

(d) The term “cost of works” as applied to works to be acquired by purchase, shall include the purchase price, cost of improvements, financing charges, interest during any period of disuse before completion of improvements, cost of engineering and legal expenses, plans, specifications and surveys, estimates of cost and of revenues, other expenses necessary or incident to determining the feasibility or practicability of the enterprise, administrative expense and such other expenses as may be necessary or incident to the financing herein authorized, and the acquisition of the works and the placing of the same in operation.

(e) The term “cost of works” as applied to works to be constructed, shall embrace the cost of construction, the cost of all land, property, rights, easements and franchises acquired which are deemed necessary for such construction, the cost of all machinery and equipment, financing charges, interest prior to and during construction and for 6 months after completion of construction, cost of engineering and legal expenses, plans, specifications, surveys, estimates of cost and of revenues, other expenses necessary or incident to determining the feasibility or practicability of the enterprise, administrative expense and such other expenses as may be necessary or incident to the financing herein authorized and the construction of the works and the placing of the same in operation.

(f) The word “owner” shall include all individuals, incorporated companies, societies or associations having any title or interest in any properties, rights, easements or franchises to be acquired.