CHAPTER 1

GENERAL PROVISIONS

§1. Objectives

The objectives of chapters 1 to 19 are to establish a Department of Transportation; to provide for an interlocking system of state and state aid highways; to furnish state aid for county and town highways and bridges; to provide for the continuous maintenance of all highways and bridges to the improvement of which the State has contributed or shall hereafter contribute unless otherwise provided by law; to provide for the equitable distribution of the proceeds of state bonds issued for the construction of highways and bridges; and to cooperate with the Federal Government in the construction of highways and bridges. [PL 1981, c. 492, Pt. C, §1 (AMD).]

SECTION HISTORY

PL 1971, c. 593, §22 (AMD). PL 1981, c. 492, §C1 (AMD).

§2. Rules of construction

The rules of construction in Title 1, chapter 3, shall apply to chapters 1 to 19. As used in chapters 1 to 19, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following terms have the following meanings. [PL 1981, c. 470, Pt. A, §120 (RPR).]

- 1. Compact or built-up section. "Compact" or "built-up section" means a section of the highway where structures are nearer than 200 feet apart for a distance of 1/4 of a mile, unless otherwise defined. [PL 1981, c. 470, Pt. A, §120 (NEW).]
- **2. Highway.** "Highway" means all of the right-of-way that may have been laid out by the State, county or town.

[PL 1981, c. 470, Pt. A, §120 (NEW).]

- **3. Maintenance.** "Maintenance" includes the restoring of reconstructed and improved highways to their condition when improved and shall be applicable only to highways to the improvement of which the State has contributed or shall hereafter contribute, except as otherwise provided. [PL 1981, c. 470, Pt. A, §120 (NEW).]
- **4. Municipal officers.** "Municipal officers" includes county commissioners having jurisdiction over highways in unincorporated townships.

[PL 1981, c. 470, Pt. A, §120 (NEW).]

5. Town. "Town" includes cities, towns, organized plantations and unincorporated townships, except as otherwise indicated.

[PL 1981, c. 470, Pt. A, §120 (NEW).]

6. Valuation. "Valuation" means the valuation last made by the State Tax Assessor. [PL 1981, c. 470, Pt. A, §120 (NEW).]

SECTION HISTORY

PL 1973, c. 537, §24 (AMD). PL 1981, c. 470, §A120 (RPR).

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