

**480A.2 Definitions.**

As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires:

1. “*Local government*” means a county, city, township, school district, or any special-purpose district or authority.

2. “*Management costs*” means the reasonable costs a local government actually incurs in managing public rights-of-way.

3. “*Public right-of-way*” means the area on, below, or above a public roadway, highway, street, bridge, cartway, bicycle lane, or public sidewalk in which the local government has an interest, including other dedicated rights-of-way for travel purposes and utility easements. A public right-of-way does not include the airwaves above a public right-of-way with regard to cellular or other nonwire telecommunications or broadcasts service or utility poles owned by a local government or a municipal utility.

4. “*Public utility*” means a person owning or operating a facility used for furnishing natural gas by piped distribution system, electricity, communications services not including cable television systems, or water by piped distribution system, to the public for compensation.

98 Acts, ch 1148, §4, 9