

**METROPOLITAN EXTENSION TELECOMMUNICATIONS RIGHTS-OF-WAY OVERSIGHT
ACT (EXCERPT)
Act 48 of 2002**

***** 484.3103.amended[1] THIS AMENDED SECTION IS EFFECTIVE WHEN CONDITIONS APPLIED
BY ENACTING SECTION 1 OF ACT 404 OF 2012 ARE MET: See enacting section 1 of Act 404 of 2012

484.3103.amended[1] Metropolitan areas metropolitan authority; powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities; annual report; rules; transfer of certain powers and duties on October 1, 2014; implementation of transfers.

Sec. 3. (1) The metropolitan areas metropolitan authority shall exercise the powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities vested in the authority under this act. The authority shall coordinate public right-of-way matters with municipalities, assess the fees required under this act, and have the exclusive power to assess fees on telecommunication providers owning telecommunication facilities in public rights-of-way within a municipality in a metropolitan area to recover the costs of using the rights-of-way by the provider.

(2) The authority shall file an annual report of its activities for the preceding year with the governor and the members of the legislative committees dealing with energy, technology, and telecommunications issues on or before March 1 of each year.

(3) The authority may promulgate rules for the implementation and administration of this act under the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328.

(4) On October 1, 2014, all of the following shall occur:

(a) The powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities vested in the metropolitan extension telecommunications rights-of-way oversight authority before October 1, 2014 are transferred to and vested in the authority.

(b) All records, property, grants, and unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, and other funds used, held, employed, available, or to be made available to the metropolitan extension telecommunications rights-of-way oversight authority are transferred to the authority.

(c) The metropolitan extension telecommunications rights-of-way oversight authority is abolished.

(5) The director of the department of licensing and regulatory affairs shall provide executive direction and supervision for the implementation of the transfers to the authority under subsection (4).

(6) The director of the department of licensing and regulatory affairs shall coordinate with the executive director of the metropolitan extension telecommunications rights-of-way oversight authority to facilitate the transfers to the authority under subsection (4) and shall develop and issue a memorandum of record identifying any pending settlements, issues of compliance with applicable federal and state laws and regulations, or other obligations resolved by the metropolitan extension telecommunications rights-of-way oversight authority before the transfers under subsection (4).

(7) State departments, agencies, officers, and employees shall fully and actively cooperate with and assist the director of the department of licensing and regulatory affairs in the implementation of transfers under subsection (4).

(8) The state budget director shall determine and authorize the most efficient manner possible for handling financial transactions and records in this state's financial management system necessary to implement the transfers under subsection (4).

(9) Any suit, action, or other proceeding lawfully commenced by, against, or before any entity affected by the transfers under subsection (4) shall not abate by reason of the taking effect of the transfers under subsection (4). Any suit, action, or other proceeding may be maintained by, against, or before the appropriate successor of any entity affected by the transfers under subsection (4).

(10) All rules, regulations, orders, contracts, and agreements relating to the former metropolitan extension telecommunications rights-of-way oversight authority or the powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities transferred under subsection (4) lawfully adopted before October 1, 2014 shall continue in effect until revised, amended, repealed, or rescinded by the authority unless prohibited by law.

History: 2002, Act 48, Eff. Nov. 1, 2002;—Am. 2012, Act 404, Eff. (pending).

Compiler's note: Enacting section 1 of Act 404 of 2012 provides:

"Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect unless House Bill No. 6026 of the 96th Legislature is approved by a majority of the qualified electors of this state voting on the question at an election to be held on the August regular election date in 2014."