

stand in the same relation, bear the same benefit assessment, and be subject to the same regulations and penalties as though the system so acquired had been constructed and put into operation by said authorities; provided, however, that said authorities may take into account and compensate for any portion of the cost of constructing the privately owned system that they may determine to have been paid by properties abutting upon any portion of said system. Whenever there is in existence a privately owned water supply or sewerage system, which in the judgment of said authorities is unfit as a whole or in part for incorporation into the general system established by said authorities, said authorities may disregard the existence of said system or unfit part thereof, and extend their system to serve the area tributary to the existing private system or unfit part thereof, and all the provisions of this Act relating to systems constructed by said authorities shall apply to said extensions.

SEC. 11. *And be it further enacted,* That said authorities may enter upon any highway for the purpose of installing, extending, altering, maintaining and operating a water supply and/or sewerage system, and may construct or repair in any such highway a water main or sewer or any appurtenance thereof upon the receipt of a permit from the proper authorities; provided that whenever any highway is disturbed, said highway shall be repaired and left by said authorities in the same or a not inferior condition to that existing before entry, and that all costs incident thereto shall be borne by said authorities.

SEC. 12. *And be it further enacted,* That all individuals, firms, and corporations having buildings, conduits, pipes, tracks or other physical obstruction in, over or under the public roads, streets, or alleys of the county or municipality which shall block or impede the progress of the municipal water supply or sewerage system while in process of construction, establishment, alteration or repair, shall upon reasonable notice from the authorities of said municipality promptly so shift, adjust, accommodate or remove the same at their own cost and expense, as to fully meet exigencies occasioning such notice; and should the exigencies of any case involve the taking in a constitutional sense of the franchise or right, in the exercise of which such obstruction had its origin the municipality shall be empowered to condemn an easement in said franchise or right. Any individual, firm or corporation before laying any pipe or conduit under the public highways in any municipality, shall present to the proper municipal authorities adequate plans showing the size, type and location of any pipe or conduit to be laid, and shall not lay any such pipe or