

1 AN ACT in relation to highways.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,  
3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Illinois Highway Code is amended by  
5 changing Sections 6-201.14 and 9-127 as follows:

6 (605 ILCS 5/6-201.14) (from Ch. 121, par. 6-201.14)

7 Sec. 6-201.14. Have authority to build curbs, and  
8 sidewalks, alleys, and bike paths in unincorporated  
9 communities out of any funds belonging to the road district  
10 in which such community is located  ~~, provided such curbs and~~  
11  ~~sidewalks are constructed as an integral part of a highway~~  
12  ~~improvement project.~~

13 (Source: P.A. 81-663.)

14 (605 ILCS 5/9-127) (from Ch. 121, par. 9-127)

15 Sec. 9-127. (a) Except as provided in subsections  
16  ~~subsectiøn~~ (b) and (c) and in cases where the deed, or other  
17 instrument, dedicating a highway or part thereof, has  
18 expressly provided for a specific devolution of the title  
19 thereto upon the abandonment or vacation thereof, whenever  
20 any highway or any part thereof is vacated under or by virtue  
21 of any Act of this State or by the highway authority  
22 authorized to vacate the highway, the title to the land  
23 included within the highway or part thereof so vacated, vests  
24 in the then owners of the land abutting thereon, in the same  
25 proportions and to the same extent, as though the highway had  
26 been dedicated by a common law plat (as distinguished from a  
27 statutory plat) and as though the fee of the highway had been  
28 acquired by the owners as a part of the land abutting on the  
29 highway except, however, such vacation shall reserve to any  
30 public utility with facilities located in, under, over or

1 upon the land an easement for the continued use, if any, by  
2 such public utility.

3 (b) When any highway authority determines to vacate a  
4 highway under its jurisdiction, or part thereof, established  
5 within a subdivision by a statutory plat, that authority may  
6 vacate such highway and convey the highway authority's  
7 interest in such highway to any bona fide organization of  
8 property owners of the subdivision which (1) is so organized  
9 as to be able to receive, hold and convey real property, (2)  
10 has petitioned the highway authority for the vacation of the  
11 highway, and (3) undertakes to develop the property for the  
12 use and benefit of the public. If the association abandons  
13 the property, it passes as provided in subsection (a).

14 (c) When any highway authority determines to vacate a  
15 highway or part of a highway under its jurisdiction  
16 established within a subdivision by a statutory plat, that  
17 authority may vacate the highway and convey the highway  
18 authority's interest in the highway to any township road  
19 district which (1) has petitioned the highway authority for  
20 the vacation of the highway and (2) undertakes to develop the  
21 property as a bike path or alley for the use and benefit of  
22 the public. If the property is subsequently incorporated  
23 within a municipality, the township road district may  
24 transfer its interest to the municipality. If the township  
25 road district or municipality abandons the property, it  
26 passes as provided in subsection (a).

27 (Source: P.A. 86-402.)

28 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
29 becoming law.