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**ROADS AND JETTIES AMENDMENT  
(MANAGEMENT OF STATE HIGHWAYS IN  
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***An Act to amend the *Roads and Jetties Act 1935* and the  
*Local Government (Highways) Act 1982****

**[Royal Assent 10 December 2018]**

Be it enacted by Her Excellency the Governor of Tasmania, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, in Parliament assembled, as follows:

**PART 1 – PRELIMINARY**

**1. Short title**

This Act may be cited as the *Roads and Jetties Amendment (Management of State Highways in Cities) Act 2018*.

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**2. Commencement**

This Act commences on the day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent.

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**PART 2 – ROADS AND JETTIES ACT 1935 AMENDED**

**3. Principal Act**

In this Part, the *Roads and Jetties Act 1935*\* is referred to as the Principal Act.

**4. Section 11 amended (Maintenance of State highways, etc., in cities, etc.)**

Section 11 of the Principal Act is amended as follows:

- (a) by renumbering the text of the section as subsection (1);
- (b) by omitting “Where” from subsection (1) and substituting “Subject to subsection (2), where”;
- (c) by inserting the following subparagraph after subparagraph (iv) in subsection (1)(a):
  - (iva) in the case of a State highway comprising more than one lane in a single direction, the carriageway; and
- (d) by inserting the following subsection after subsection (1):

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- (2) The Minister, with the agreement of the relevant council, may maintain or reconstruct a State highway or a subsidiary road otherwise than in accordance with subsection (1).

**5. Section 48B inserted**

After section 48A of the Principal Act, the following section is inserted in Division 2:

**48B. Power to remove vehicles causing obstruction or danger**

- (1) A road authority may move, keep or impound any vehicle (and anything in, on or attached to the vehicle) that –
- (a) is causing an unlawful obstruction; or
  - (b) is unlawfully parked or left standing in an area designated by the Minister; or
  - (c) has been left standing illegally for a period of at least 2 days; or
  - (d) has been left standing in an area in which in the opinion of the road authority the vehicle is obstructing the free movement of traffic on a road or from a driveway; or

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- (e) has been left standing in an area in which in the opinion of the road authority the vehicle constitutes a hazard to road safety.
- (2) A road authority must return to its owner a vehicle moved, kept or impounded under subsection (1) on payment of a fee.
- (3) The fee set for the purposes of subsection (2) must not exceed an amount that reasonably represents the cost to a road authority of impounding, moving, keeping and releasing the vehicle, including any relevant overhead and other indirect costs.
- (4) Subject to subsection (5), a road authority may sell, destroy or give away a vehicle that has been moved, kept or impounded under subsection (1) (and anything in, on or attached to the vehicle) if the owner of the vehicle has not paid the fee under subsection (2) within 60 days of the date when the vehicle was first moved, kept or impounded.
- (5) Before exercising the power under subsection (4), the road authority must take reasonable steps to notify the owner of the vehicle that the vehicle has been moved, kept or impounded and that it may be sold, destroyed or given away

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unless the specified fee is paid within  
60 days.

- (6) A road authority and anyone who obtains the vehicle from a road authority under subsection (4) is not liable to the owner of the vehicle or any other person in respect of any action taken under that subsection.

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**PART 3 – LOCAL GOVERNMENT (HIGHWAYS) ACT  
1982 AMENDED**

**6. Principal Act**

In this Part, the *Local Government (Highways) Act 1982\** is referred to as the Principal Act.

**7. Section 108 inserted**

After section 107 of the Principal Act, the following section is inserted in Part VII:

**108. Application of Part to State highways**

This Part applies in respect of a State highway within a municipal area as if –

- (a) the State highway were a local highway within that municipal area; and
- (b) a reference to a corporation, other than in section 107(8) and (9), were a reference to the Minister for State Highways.

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Part 4 – Miscellaneous

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**PART 4 – MISCELLANEOUS**

**8. Repeal of Act**

This Act is repealed on the three hundred and sixty fifth day from the day on which it commences.

*[Second reading presentation speech made in:–  
House of Assembly on 21 November 2018  
Legislative Council on 27 November 2018]*