Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That all incorporated towns in this Commonwealth are hereby authorized and empowered to acquire, by lease, [or] purchase or condemnation, any land, lying either within or without the limits of such incorporated towns, which, in the judgment of the corporate authorities thereof, may be necessary and desirable for the purpose of establishing and maintaining municipal airports, airdromes, aviation landing fields, intermediate landing fields and airport facilities.

<u>The proceedings for the condemnation of lands including the acquisi-</u> tion of title and possession, and for the assessment of damages for property taken, injured or destroyed, shall be conducted in accordance with the act of June 22, 1964 (P. L. 84), known as the "Eminent Domain Code."

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED-The 23d day of July, A, D. 1965.

WILLIAM W. SCRANTON

No. 146 AN ACT

HB 367

Amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P. L. 30), entitled "An act relating to the public school system, including certain provisions applicable as well to private and parochial schools; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto," providing for leaves of absence for professional and temporary professional employes of area vocational technical boards.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Subsection (3) of section 1843, act of March 10, 1949 (P. L. 30), known as the "Public School Code of 1949," amended August 14, 1963 (P. L. 1065), is amended to read:

Section 1843. Powers and Duties of Area Vocational-Technical Boards.—Subject to the applicable provisions of this act, each area vocational-technical board shall have power and its duty shall be:

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(3) To employ temporary professional and professional employes, supervisors and teachers, and to employ all other persons necessary to carry on vocational-technical education and technical institutes, and to determine the salaries to be paid. All <u>temporary professional and</u> professional employes so employed shall have the same rights of tenure, minimum salaries and increments, <u>leaves of absence because of illness</u> or physical disability, leaves of absence because of death in the immediate family or death of a near relative, sabbatical leaves, military leaves, exchange teacher leaves, and membership in the Public School Employes' Retirement Association, as <u>temporary professional and</u> professional employes of school districts.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 29th day of July, A. D. 1965.

WILLIAM W. SCRANTON

No. 147

AN ACT

HB 368

Amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P. L. 30), entitled "An act relating to the public school system, including certain provisions applicable as well to private and parochial schools; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto," clarifying and extending rights of school employes when on leaves of absence as exchange teachers or for professional study.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Section 522, act of March 10, 1949 (P. L. 30), known as the "Public School Code of 1949," added August 19, 1953 (P. L. 1087), is amended to read:

Section 522. Payments of Salaries of Professional Employes Granted Leaves of Absence as Exchange Teachers Authorized; Rights Preserved.

—Any board of public education or board of school directors of any school district or vocational school district of this Commonwealth is hereby authorized to pay any professional employe the salary he would be entitled to if teaching in the school district from which he is granted a leave of absence to serve as an exchange teacher in any foreign country or territory or possession of the United States of America.

Any professional employe, while on leave as an exchange teacher, shall be considered to be in regular full-time daily attendance in the position from which the leave was granted, during the period of said