

No. 199

AN ACT

To further amend section one of the act, approved the twenty-fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred thirty-three (Pamphlet Laws, one thousand sixteen), entitled "An act relating to aeronautics; providing for the maintenance and operation of intermediate landing fields and air navigation facilities by the Commonwealth alone or in cooperation with the United States Government or political subdivisions of the Commonwealth; providing for the execution of leases or the issuance of licenses to the United States Government or to political subdivisions of the Commonwealth for the maintenance of navigation facilities on intermediate landing fields of the Commonwealth; conferring powers and duties on the Department of Revenue with respect thereto; and repealing certain acts and parts of acts," by transferring certain powers and duties from the Department of Revenue to the Pennsylvania Aeronautics Commission.

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

Section 1. Section one of the act, approved the twenty-fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred thirty-three (Pamphlet Laws, one thousand sixteen), entitled "An act relating to aeronautics; providing for the maintenance and operation of intermediate landing fields and air navigation facilities by the Commonwealth alone or in cooperation with the United States Government or political subdivisions of the Commonwealth; providing for the execution of leases or the issuance of licenses to the United States Government or to political subdivisions of the Commonwealth for the maintenance of navigation facilities on intermediate landing fields of the Commonwealth; conferring powers and duties on the Department of Revenue with respect thereto; and repealing certain acts and parts of acts," as amended by the act, approved the sixth day of August, one thousand nine hundred forty-one (Pamphlet Laws, eight hundred fifty-nine), is hereby further amended to read as follows:

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That the [Department of Revenue] *Pennsylvania Aeronautics Commission*, in connection with the designation and establishment of civil airways within, over and above the lands and waters of this Commonwealth as provided by law, shall have the power, to the extent to which the General Assembly shall have appropriated funds to it or to the Department of Property and Supplies for the purpose:

(a) Either alone or in cooperation with counties, cities, boroughs, or townships, to establish, operate and maintain along such airways all necessary navigation facilities, including airports, landing fields and intermediate landing fields.

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Section 1, act of May 25, 1933, P. L. 1016, as amended by act of August 6, 1941, P. L. 859, further amended.

The Pennsylvania Aeronautics Commission and Department of Property and Supplies empowered to acquire airports and landing fields, and to accept Federal contributions.

(b) To accept, in the name of the Commonwealth, donations of airports, landing fields or intermediate landing fields, or grounds suitable for airports, landing fields or intermediate landing field purposes or necessary for safeguarding flying, or buildings to be used in connection with airports, landing fields or intermediate landing fields.

(c) To make recommendations to the Department of Property and Supplies for the acquisition, in the name of the Commonwealth, by lease, purchase, or condemnation, of lands, with or without buildings, suitable for the establishment thereon of airports, landing fields or intermediate landing fields; such lands to be acquired by the Commonwealth acting alone or in cooperation with counties, cities, boroughs, or townships having authority to acquire and maintain such fields.

(d) To make additions and improvements in or to airports, landing fields or intermediate landing fields and facilities under its control, and, either alone or in cooperation with others, to provide personnel, heat, light, water, fuel, telephone service, drainage, runways, fueling facilities, and lighting facilities, and to remove or otherwise eliminate such obstructions as shall menace air travel.

(e) Either alone or in cooperation with others, to install, equip, maintain and operate airports, landing fields or intermediate landing field beacons, landing lights, markers, and other air navigation facilities along civil airways established and set apart by it.

(f) With the approval of the Governor, to execute leases or licenses, with or without consideration, granting to the Government of the United States, or any agency thereof, or to any county or municipality within this Commonwealth, the right to erect, operate and maintain, upon airports, landing fields or intermediate landing fields belonging to the Commonwealth, boundary lights and other equipment and air navigation facilities; but all such leases and licenses shall be revocable upon six months' notice, and shall require the lessee or licensee, at its own expense, to maintain any structures erected by it under its lease or license.

(g) To receive and accept contributions of either money or property or other things of value to be held, used and applied for the purposes in this act provided, and to receive or accept grants from the United States or any of its agencies for such purposes.

Section 2. This act shall become effective on the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred forty-three.

Act effective
immediately.

APPROVED—The 21st day of May, A. D. 1943.

EDWARD MARTIN