

or land outside the boundaries of an airport or airport site, as are necessary to permit safe and efficient operation of the airports or to permit the removal, elimination, obstruction-marking or obstruction-lighting of airport hazards, or to prevent the establishment of airport hazards. In like manner the Commission may acquire existing airports and air navigation facilities, provided, however, it shall not acquire or take over any airport or air navigation facility owned or controlled by a municipality of this or any other State without the consent of such municipality. The Commission may by sale, lease, or otherwise, dispose of any such property, airport, air navigation facility, or portion thereof or interest therein. Such disposal by sale, lease, or otherwise, shall be in accordance with the laws of this State governing the disposition of other property of the State, except that in the case of disposals to any municipality or State government or the United States for aeronautical purposes incident thereto, the sale, lease, or other disposal may be effected in such manner and upon such terms as the Commission may deem in the best interest of the State.

(b) (Airport Zoning.) Nothing contained in this Article shall be construed to limit any right, power or authority of the State or a municipality to regulate airport hazards by zoning.

(c) (Joint Operations.) The Commission may exercise any powers granted by this section jointly with any municipalities or agencies of the State government, with other States or their municipalities, or with the United States.

(d) (Condemnation.) In the condemnation of property authorized by this section, the Commission shall proceed in the name of the State in the manner provided by Article 33A of the Annotated Code of Maryland. For the purpose of making surveys and examinations relative to any condemnation proceedings, it shall be lawful to enter upon any land, doing no unnecessary damage. Notwithstanding, the provisions of any other statute, or the charter of any municipality, the Commission may take possession of any property to be condemned at any time after the commencement of the condemnation proceedings. The Commission shall not be precluded from abandoning the condemnation of any such property in any case where possession thereof has not been taken.

(e) (Operation and Use Privileges.)

(1) (Under Commission Operation.) In operating an airport or air navigation facility owned or controlled by the State, the Commission may enter into contracts, leases and other arrangements upon such terms and conditions as it may