- (a) Technical services of [Commission] Administration.— The [Commission] Administration may, in so far as it is reasonably possible, make available its engineering and other technical services with or without charge to any municipality or person desiring them in connection with planning, acquisition, construction, improvements, maintenance or operation of airports or air navigation facilities.
- (b) State financial assistance—The [Commission] Administration, with the approval of the Secretary of Transportation, may render financial assistance by grant or loan or both to any municipality or municipalities acting jointly, OR AUTHORITIES CREATED PURSUANT TO STATE LAW, in the planning, acquisition, construction, improvement, maintenance, or operation of an airport owned or controlled, or to be owned or controlled by such municipality or municipalities, OR AUTHORITIES CREATED PURSUANT TO STATE LAW, out of the appropriations made by the legislature for such purposes. Such financial assistance may be furnished in connection with federal or other financial aid for the same purposes.
- [Commission] Administration as agent of municipality in receiving and disbursing federal and other moneys.—The [Commission Administration, with the approval of the Secretary of Transportation, is authorized to act as agent of any municipality or municipalities acting jointly, in accepting, receiving, receipting for and disbursing federal moneys, and other moneys public or private, made available to finance, in whole or in part, the planning, acquisition, construction, improvement, or maintenance or operation of a municipal airport or air navigation facility; to act as the agent of such municipality or municipalities in contracting for and supervising such planning, acquisition, construction, improvement, maintenance, or operation; and all municipalities are authorized to designate the [Commission] Administration as their agent for the foregoing purposes. The [Commission] Administration, as principal on behalf of the State, or any municipality, may with the approval of the Secretary of Transportation enter into any contracts, with each other, with the United States, or with any person, which may be required in connection with a grant or loan of federal moneys for municipal airport or navigation facility purposes. All federal moneys accepted under this section shall be accepted and transferred or expended by the Commission Administration upon such terms and conditions as are prescribed by the United States. All moneys received by the [Commission] Administration pursuant to this section shall be deposited in the State treasury, and, unless otherwise prescribed by the authority from which such moneys were received, shall be kept in separate funds designated according to the purposes for which the moneys were made available, and held by the State in trust for such purposes. Such moneys shall not be part of the Transportation Trust Fund, and they shall be exempt from the provisions of Article 94A, Section H 11, of this Code.
- (d) Same—Approval of project by [Commission] Secretary prerequisite to project application under federal law.—No municipality in this State, whether acting alone or jointly with another municipality or with the State, shall submit to the Administrator of Civil Aeronautics of the United States a project application under