

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] *Secretary of Transportation* may deem in the best interest of the State.

(b) Regulation of airport hazards by 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] *Administration* 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 of property.—In the condemnation of property authorized by this section, the [Commission] *Administration* 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] *Administration* may take possession of any property to be condemned at any time after the commencement of the condemnation proceedings. The [Commission] *Administration* 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] *Administration* Operation. In operating an airport or air navigation facility owned or controlled by the State, the [Commission] *Administration, with the approval of the Secretary of Transportation,* may enter into contracts, leases and other arrangements upon such terms and conditions as it may direct for a term not exceeding 20 years with any persons granting the privilege of using or improving such airport or air navigation facility or any portion or facility thereof or space therein for commercial purposes; conferring the privilege of supplying goods, commodities, things, services or facilities at such airport or air navigation facility; or making available services to be furnished by the [Commission] *Administration* or its agents at such airport or air navigation facility.

In such case the [Commission] *Administration* may establish the terms and conditions and fix the charges, rentals or fees for the privileges or services, which shall be reasonable and uniform for the same class of privilege or service and shall be established with due regard to the property and improvements used and the expenses of operation to the State; provided that in no case shall the public be deprived of its rightful, equal and uniform use of the airport, air navigation facility, or portion or facility thereof.

(2) Under Other Operation. The [Commission] *Administration, with the approval of the Secretary of Transportation,* may by contract, lease or other arrangement, upon a consideration fixed by it, grant to any qualified person for a term not to exceed five years the privilege of operating as agent of the State or otherwise, any air-