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§ 161. Appropriations, bond issues and taxation

The purchase price or award for land acquired for an airport or landing field may be paid for by appropriation of moneys available therefor or wholly or partly paid for from the proceeds of sale of bonds of the city, town or county as the proper officers of the city, town or county shall determine, subject to the adoption of a proposition therefor if required by law as a prerequisite to the issuance of bonds of such cities, towns or counties for public purposes generally. Cities, towns and counties are authorized to appropriate or cause to be raised by taxation or otherwise in such cities, towns or counties sums sufficient to carry out sections 5 to 7, 43 to 45, 122, 161 to 163, 202, 203 and 241 to 246.

R.S.1954, c. 24, § 19.

§ 162. Airport Construction Fund

1. Commission. The commission is authorized to transfer out of the Aeronautical Fund such sums as it may determine in any year to aid in the construction, extension and improvement of state or municipal airports within the State, the sums so transferred to be known, designated and segregated as "Airport Construction Fund". Any unexpended balance at the end of any fiscal year shall not lapse but shall be carried forward for use in any succeeding fiscal year. All payments made out of said funds shall be made on order of the commission with the approval of the Governor and Council.

The commission with the consent of the Governor and Council may, from the amounts appropriated and known as the "Airport Construction Fund", match funds with the Federal Government for the purpose of constructing, extending or improving state owned airports.

2. State aid. The commission with the consent of the Governor and Council may from the amount appropriated to aid in the construction, extension and improvement of state, municipal

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or county airports, known as the "Airport Construction Fund", grant to cities, towns or counties separately and cities and towns jointly with one another or with counties an amount not to exceed 50% of the total cost of the construction, extension or improvement of such airport or airports.

1955, c. 372; 1963, c. 414, § 3–I.

3. State approval. No municipality or county in this State, whether acting alone or jointly with another municipality or county or with the State, shall submit to the Administrator of Civil Aeronautics of the United States any project application under section 9 of the Federal Airport Act, so called, or any amendment thereof, unless the project and the project application have been first approved by the Aeronautics Commission. (1963, c. 414, \S 3–I.)

R.S.1954, c. 24, § 20; 1955, c. 372; 1963, c. 414, § 3-I.

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Cities, towns and counties separately and cities or towns jointly with one another or with counties are authorized to accept, establish, construct, own, lease, control, equip, improve, maintain and operate airports and landing fields for the use of aircraft within their boundaries or without the limits of such cities, towns or counties with the consent of the city, town or county where said airport or landing field is to be located, and may use for such purpose or purposes any land suitable therefor that is now or may at any time hereafter be owned or controlled by any city, town or county.

Cities, towns and counties separately and cities and towns jointly with one another or with counties, by and through their municipal officers or their duly constituted representatives, are authorized to accept federal funds and to do all things necessary or incidental to the acceptance of said federal funds.

Airports owned and operated by any city, town or county are declared to be governmental agencies and entitled to the same immunities as an agency of the State.

R.S.1954, c. 24, § 11; 1963, c. 414, § 3-H.