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Dear Sir:

I have your letter of May 21st asking for interpretations of the aviation laws.

Answer to question No. 1: Noi L. D. 727 was passed to establish municipal airports as governmental agencies performing governmental functions and was not intended in any way to put them under the control of any State department.

Answer to question No. 2: No! The members of the Commission under Section 2 of L. D. 1073, cannot receive pay for their services but there is no reason why they should not receive reimbursement for expenses incurred. Since the Commission apparently has no income as such, the payment of expenses should properly come up before the Governor and Council in the form of an Order.

Answer to question No. 3: Section 8 of L. D. 1073, the Consolidating Act, repeals the first two sentences of Chapter 265 of the Public Laws of 1933 and enacts similar provisions in the second and third sentences of Section 4 of the Consolidating Act. The two sentences of the 1933 Act having to do with the payment of fees by non-resident aircraft owners and by non-resident pilots, are unchanged.

I am returning herewith, the copies of the various Acts which you sent me.

Very truly yours,

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