THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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AN ACT

- Amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), entitled "An act providing for and reorganizing the conduct of the 3 executive and administrative work of the Commonwealth by the 4 Executive Department thereof and the administrative departments, boards, commissions, and officers thereof, 6 including the boards of trustees of State Normal Schools, or 7 Teachers Colleges; abolishing, creating, reorganizing or 8 authorizing the reorganization of certain administrative 9 departments, boards, and commissions; defining the powers and duties of the Governor and other executive and administrative 10 officers, and of the several administrative departments, 11 12 boards, commissions, and officers; fixing the salaries of the 13 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and certain other executive and administrative officers; providing for the appointment of 14 15 certain administrative officers, and of all deputies and 16 other assistants and employes in certain departments, boards, and commissions; and prescribing the manner in which the 17 18 number and compensation of the deputies and all other assistants and employes of certain departments, boards and 19 20 commissions shall be determined, " providing for a limitation on use of Willow Grove Joint Interagency Installation. 21
- The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 23 hereby enacts as follows:
- 24 Section 1. Section 514 of the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177,
- 25 No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, is amended by
- 26 adding a subsection to read:
- 27 Section 514. Sale of Real Estate and Grants of Rights of Way

- 1 or Other Rights Over or in Real Estate; Tapping Water Lines of
- 2 Institutions and Sanatoria. -- * * *
- 3 (f) (1) In the event the Commonwealth or any
- 4 <u>instrumentality thereof owns, leases or exercises jurisdiction</u>
- 5 and operational control of the airport at the Joint Interagency
- 6 <u>Installation to be established on property known as Naval Air</u>
- 7 <u>Station Joint Reserve Base (NASJRB) Willow Grove, in Horsham</u>
- 8 Township, Montgomery County, the property shall be used by the
- 9 Pennsylvania National Guard, Department of Defense components,
- 10 Federal, State and local government agencies, and associated
- 11 users, to perform national defense, homeland security and
- 12 <u>emergency preparedness missions. The Commonwealth may not permit</u>
- 13 <u>use of airfield property under its jurisdiction and operational</u>
- 14 control at the Joint Interagency Installation for regularly
- 15 <u>scheduled commercial passenger operations, regularly scheduled</u>
- 16 cargo operations, for routine reliever airport operations or
- 17 other nongovernmental aviation operations not related to the
- 18 national defense, homeland security and emergency preparedness
- 19 missions of the installation.
- 20 (2) Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to
- 21 <u>diminish or alter authorized uses of the installation by the</u>
- 22 Federal Government or its agencies or instrumentalities or to
- 23 limit use of the property for any authorized purpose in exigent
- 24 circumstances.
- 25 (3) As used in this subsection, the following words and
- 26 phrases shall have the meanings given to them in this
- 27 subsection:
- 28 "Associated users." Nongovernmental organizations and
- 29 private entities that use the airport for purposes related to
- 30 the national defense, homeland security and emergency

- 1 preparedness missions of the installation or under contract with
- 2 or on behalf of any component of the joint interagency
- 3 installation.
- 4 <u>"Exigent circumstances." Unusual conditions, including, but</u>
- 5 <u>not limited to, adverse or unusual weather conditions, alerts</u>
- 6 and actual or threatened emergencies, which are determined by
- 7 appropriate government authority to require limited-duration use
- 8 of the airport at the joint interagency installation for flight
- 9 operations other than those that ordinarily take place there.
- 10 <u>"Regularly scheduled commercial cargo operations." Cargo</u>
- 11 operations by a commercial cargo or freight carrier, involving
- 12 operations not related to the national defense, homeland
- 13 <u>security or emergency preparedness missions of the installation</u>
- 14 and not under contract with any component of the installation,
- 15 where cargo is delivered to and flown from the installation
- 16 <u>under established schedules.</u>
- 17 <u>"Regularly scheduled commercial passenger operations."</u>
- 18 Passenger operations by a commercial passenger carrier when
- 19 individuals whose flights are not related to the national
- 20 <u>defense</u>, <u>homeland</u> <u>security</u> <u>or</u> <u>emergency</u> <u>preparedness</u> <u>missions</u> <u>of</u>
- 21 the installation or are not under contract with any component of
- 22 the installation, are boarded or emplaned on a ticketed or
- 23 charter basis under established schedules.
- 24 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.