

**FOREST LAND, PURCHASE OF**  
**Act of May 13, 1925, P.L. 643, No. 346**  
AN ACT

Cl. 32

To provide for the purchase by the Commonwealth of agricultural land suited to the growing of forest tree seedlings, and fixing a maximum amount that may be paid therefor.

**Compiler's Note:** Section 302(h) of Act 18 of 1995, which created the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources and renamed the Department of Environmental Resources as the Department of Environmental Protection, provided that the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources shall exercise the powers and duties conferred upon the Department of Forests and Waters and the State Forest Commission by Act 346 of 1925.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That the Department of Forests and Waters, with the approval of the State Forest Commission, shall have the power to acquire in the name of the Commonwealth by purchase any suitable tract or tracts of agricultural land within the State for the purpose of growing forest tree seedlings, subject to such reservations, if any, of mineral rights, rights-of-way, or other encumbrances as the Department of Forests and Waters and the State Forest Commission deem to be consistent with such holding, which lands the Commonwealth shall hold, manage, control, protect, maintain, utilize, and regulate as State forests.

Section 2. That the maximum price paid for such agricultural land shall not exceed one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150) per acre, and that the amount expended for the acquisition of such land shall not exceed twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000).