

*comprehensive planning programs, in and for any counties, cities, boroughs, townships, towns or regions and, for this purpose, to accept and utilize any funds, personnel or other assistance made available by the Federal government or any of its agencies, or made available from any other source, public or private, and, notwithstanding the provisions of any other law and for the purposes of receiving and using Federal planning grants for provision of urban planning assistance, to serve as the official State planning agency of the Commonwealth and, to these ends, to enter into agreements or contracts regarding the acceptance or utilization of such funds or assistance for any of the purposes authorized by this act.*

Act of May 10, 1939, P. L. 111, amended by adding a new section 7.1.

Transfer of contracts, etc., to the Department of Commerce.

Act effective immediately.

Section 3. The act is amended by adding, after section seven thereof, a new section to read:

*Section 7.1. All contracts, classified data files, maps, air photographs and equipment, heretofore used by the State Planning Board in the exercise of the functions transferred herewith from the Board to the Department of Commerce, are hereby transferred to the Department of Commerce.*

Section 4. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 22nd day of December, A. D. 1955.

GEORGE M. LEADER

No. 271

AN ACT

Giving the consent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the acquisition by the United States of America of approximately one thousand two hundred sixty-six acres of land in the Township of Coolbaugh, County of Monroe, Pennsylvania, known as Tobyhanna Signal Depot, and ceding jurisdiction to the United States.

Real property.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Grant of land by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the United States of America, located in Monroe County, and known as Tobyhanna Signal Depot.

Section 1. The consent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is hereby granted; in accordance with the seventeenth clause, eighth section of the first article of the Constitution of the United States, to the acquisition by the United States of America of a tract of land situate in the Township of Coolbaugh, County of Monroe, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, known as the Tobyhanna Signal Depot, bounded and described as follows:

Description.

Beginning at a point in the northwesterly boundary line of the Tobyhanna Signal Depot Military Reservation, which point is North 77 degrees 31 minutes 30

seconds East 25 feet from the point where the center line of Pennsylvania State Route No. 45036 intersects said boundary line and which beginning point is also North 77 degrees 31 minutes 30 seconds East 1325 feet more or less from pipe monument No. 48B; thence from said beginning point North 77 degrees 31 minutes 30 seconds East 4412.10 feet more or less to pipe monument No. 48A being the most northeasterly corner of the Tobyhanna Signal Depot Military Reservation; thence South 12 degrees 23 minutes East 3095.30 feet to pipe monument No. 48 thence South 12 degrees 23 minutes East 3888.50 feet to pipe monument No. 47; thence North 77 degrees 32 minutes 30 seconds East 74.29 feet to pipe monument No. 46; thence South 1 degree 05 minutes 30 seconds West 403.79 feet to pipe monument No. 45; thence South 89 degrees 44 minutes 30 seconds East 1674.09 feet to pipe monument No. 44; thence South 89 degrees 44 minutes 30 seconds East 350 feet to westerly right of way line of Pennsylvania State Route No. 490; thence following the westerly right of way line of said Route 490 southerly as the road meanders approximately 3400 feet to a point where said westerly right of way line of Route 490 intersects the southerly boundary line of the Tobyhanna Signal Depot Military Reservation; thence north 89 degrees 42 minutes 30 seconds West 750.71 feet to pipe monument No. 40; thence South 17 degrees 53 minutes West 510.15 feet to pipe monument No. 39; thence South 29 degrees 43 minutes West 178.65 feet to pipe monument No. 38 thence South 28 degrees 50 minutes West 32.70 feet to pipe monument No. 23; thence South 29 degrees 59 minutes West 347.12 feet to pipe monument No. 22; thence North 60 degrees 09 minutes West 802.01 feet to pipe monument No. 21; thence South 29 degrees 52 minutes West 429.81 feet to pipe monument No. 20; thence North 60 degrees 07 minutes West 1803.25 feet to a point in the southerly boundary line of the Tobyhanna Signal Depot Military Reservation; thence North 29 degrees 52 minutes East 100 feet, more or less, to the southeasterly line of an existing road; thence on a straight line in a northwesterly direction being the line of perimeter fence if extended southeasterly 150 feet, more or less, to the southeasterly corner of said existing perimeter fence; thence in a northwesterly direction along said perimeter fence a distance of 6600 feet, more or less, to the northwesterly corner of said perimeter fence; thence leaving said fence in a northerly direction and at a distance of 25 feet easterly of and parallel to the center line of State Route No. 45036 a distance of 4180 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning, containing 1265.81 acres, more or less.

Exclusive jurisdiction over lands.

Section 2. Exclusive jurisdiction in and over the aforesaid lands is hereby ceded to the United States of America by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the erection of forts, magazines, arsenals, dock yards and other needful buildings, with the exception of roads abutting on said lands to be used by the United States for military and other public purposes, which are not already under the jurisdiction of the United States.

Concurrent jurisdiction for civil and criminal processes.

Section 3. The jurisdiction so ceded to the United States of America is granted upon the express condition that the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall retain concurrent jurisdiction with the United States, in and over the lands and buildings aforesaid, in so far that civil process in all cases and such criminal process as may issue, under the authority of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, against anyone charged with crime committed outside said land, may be executed thereon in the same manner as if this jurisdiction had not been ceded. The United States shall retain such jurisdiction so long as the said land shall be used for the purposes for which jurisdiction is ceded and no longer.

Reservation of constitutional powers of taxation.

Section 4. The jurisdiction so ceded to the United States shall be upon the further condition that the Commonwealth reserves, to itself and its political subdivisions, whatever power of taxation it may constitutionally reserve, to levy and collect all taxes now or hereafter imposed by the Commonwealth and its political subdivisions upon property, persons and franchises within the boundaries so ceded.

Act effective immediately.

Section 5. This act shall become effective immediately upon its final enactment.

APPROVED—The 22nd day of December, A. D. 1955.

GEORGE M. LEADER

No. 272

AN ACT

Amending the act of May one, one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 905), entitled "An act for the protection of the public safety; regulating the use of highways, and the operation of vehicles, tractors, street cars, trackless trolley omnibuses, bicycles, pedestrians, and the riding of animals upon the highways of this Commonwealth; providing for the titling, including liens, encumbrances, and legal claims; registration of certain vehicles and licensing the operators thereof, upon payment of prescribed fees; prescribing and limiting the powers of local authorities to deal with the subject matter of this act; conferring powers and imposing duties upon the Department