

Shenandoah Valley Regional Airport Commission

- Created: 1956 Acts of Assembly, c. 628 as Shenandoah Valley Joint Airport Commission.
- Amended: 1958 Acts of Assembly, c. 396
Amended (§§ 1 through 4)
1978 Acts of Assembly, c. 18
Amended (§ 1; changed name to Shenandoah Valley Airport Commission)
1988 Acts of Assembly, c. 209
Amended (§ 1; changed name to Shenandoah Valley Regional Airport Commission)
1994 Acts of Assembly, c. 773
Amended (§ 3).

§ 1. "Commission", as used herein, shall mean Shenandoah Valley Regional Airport Commission established under the provisions of Article 2, Chapter 3, Title 5 of the Code of Virginia, by the joint action of the counties of Augusta and Rockingham and the cities of Harrisonburg, Staunton and Waynesboro. (1956, c. 628; 1958, c. 396; 1978, c. 18; 1988, c. 209)

§ 2. The Commission is hereby created and constituted a political subdivision of the counties of Augusta and Rockingham and the cities of Harrisonburg and Staunton. With the consent of all of the members of the Commission and the governing body of the city of Waynesboro, said city of Waynesboro shall become a member and an integral part of the Commission and the political subdivision established under this section. (1956, c. 628; 1958, c. 396)

§ 3. The Commission, in addition to the powers and duties delegated to it by the participating counties and cities, shall have the following powers:

To acquire under the power of eminent domain in the manner prescribed for railroad corporations by Title 25 of the Code of Virginia, or by purchase, lease or otherwise, property, real or personal, or any interest therein, including easements in structures, objects, natural growth, or use of lands which obstructs the air space required for the flight of aircraft in landing or taking off at an airport or are otherwise hazardous to such landing or taking off of aircraft, as are necessary for the establishment, use, operation, maintenance or enlargement of an airport; provided, however, such power of eminent domain shall not extend to the taking of any radio or television towers or installation in existence on the effective date of this Act. Leases or contracts entered into pursuant to this section may be for terms of five years or less, notwithstanding any local ordinance to the contrary. (1956, c. 628; 1958, c. 396; 1994, c. 773)

§ 4. Proceedings for condemnation hereunder shall be instituted and conducted in the name of the Commission, and the procedure shall be in the manner and under the restrictions prescribed by the general statutes of this State relative to the condemnation of lands and the rights of all persons, partnerships, associations or corporations affected

shall be subject to the general laws of this State, in so far as the same may be applicable under the general purposes of this act. (1956, c. 628; 1958, c. 396)