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AN ACT To provide for the administration of the Washington National Airport, and for other purposes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That for the purposes of this Act—*

SEC. 1. (a) “Secretary” means the Secretary of Transportation.

(b) “Airport” means the Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport, which shall consist of, and include, the tract of land, together with all structures, improvements, and other facilities located thereon, lying partly in the District of Columbia and partly in the State of Virginia, particularly described as follows:

Commencing at a point of beginning, said point being the intersection of the property line of property owned by the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company, and dredging base line at station 0+18.99 referenced south 6,808.21, west 9,078.02, running in a southeasterly direction on a bearing of south 22°51'18" east a distance of 6,270.91 feet, more or less, to station 62+89.90 of said dredging base line. Thence 13°30' right on a bearing of south 9°21'18" east a distance of 1,332.29 feet, more or less, to station 76+22.19 of said base line. Thence 11°04'19" right on a bearing of south 1°43'01" west a distance of 1,231.20 feet, more or less, to station 88+53.39 of said base line. Thence 12°40'41" right on a bearing of south 14°23'42" west a distance of 2,409.32 feet, more or less, to station 112+62.71 on said base line. Thence 1°15'44.3" right on a bearing of south 15°39'26.3" west a distance of 4,938.38 feet, more or less, to United States Coast and Geodetic Survey Station WATER, referenced south 22,220.86, west 8,395.54. Thence 17°09'25.6" left on a bearing of south 1°29'59.3" east a distance of 85.58 feet, more or less, to a corner of the property line between the United States of America and Smoot Sand and Gravel Corporation. Thence 85°59'59.3" right on a bearing of south 84°30'00" west a distance of 1,516.41 feet, more or less, to a monu-

ment located at a corner on the property line of the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company, said monument being referenced south 22,451.75, west 9,902.73. Thence 85°50'06.7" right on a bearing of north 8°09'54" west a distance of 442.68 feet, more or less. Thence 5°00'12" left on a bearing of north 13°10'06" west a distance of 578.64 feet, more or less. Thence 4°57'25" left on a bearing of north 18°07'31" west a distance of 462.94 feet, more or less. Thence 1°34'50" left on a bearing of north 19°42'21" west a distance of 943.56 feet, more or less, to the point of a curve having an angle of 27°52'45" right radius 1,241.15 feet, long chord 597.98 feet, on a bearing of north 5°45'58" west. Thence along the arc of said curve a distance of 603.92 feet, more or less, to the point of tangency of said curve. Thence along a tangent to said curve on a bearing of north 8°10'24" east a distance of 232.33 feet, more or less, to the point of a curve having an angle of 36°59'09" left, radius 1,046 feet, long chord 663.56 feet on a bearing of north 10°19'10.5" west. Thence along the arc of said curve a distance of 675.22 feet, more or less, to the point of tangency of said curve. Thence along a tangent to said curve on a bearing of north 28°48'45" west a distance of 256.75 feet, more or less. Thence 30°33'10" left on a bearing of north 59°21'55" west a distance of 287.84 feet, more or less. Thence 40°45'20" right on a bearing of north 18°36'35" west a distance of 1,142.08 feet, more or less. Thence 5°43'29" right on a bearing of north 12°53'06" west a distance of 118.02 feet, more or less, to the point of a curve having an angle of 26°20'50" right, radius 3,665.71 feet, long chord 1,670.85 feet on a bearing of north 0°17'19" east. Thence along the arc of said curve a distance of 1,685.66 feet, more or less, to the point of tangency of said curve. Thence along a tangent to said curve on a bearing of north 13°27'44" east a distance of 2,002.11 feet, more or less, to the point of a curve having an angle of 10°36'25" left, radius 2,864.79 feet, long chord of 529.59 feet on a bearing of north 8°09'31.5" east. Thence along the arc of said curve a distance of 530.25 feet, more or less, to the point of tangency of said curve. Thence along a tangent to said curve on a bearing of north 2°51'19" east a distance of 124.53 feet, more or less. Thence 6°57'52" left on a bearing of north 4°06'33" west a distance of 571.33 feet, more or less. Thence 7°22'39" left on a bearing of north 11°29'12" west a distance of 811.63 feet, more or less. Thence 8°16'52" right on a bearing of north 3°12'20" east a distance of 70.41 feet, more or less, to the point of a curve having an angle of 7°43'12" right, radius 5,479.58 feet, long chord 737.75 feet on a bearing of north 7°03'56" east. Thence along the arc of said curve a distance of 738.31 feet, more or less, to the point of tangency of said curve, said point being on the old property line between Mary E. Cullinane and Milton Hopfenmaier property. Thence along said property line on a bearing of north 75°11'50" east a distance of 204.72 feet, more or less, to a monument marked U. S. D. 1-N. P. S., reference south 18,419.16, west 10,829.26. Thence along the same bearing of north 75°11'50" east a distance of 215 feet, more or less. Thence 34°36'06" left on a bearing of north 40°35'44" east a distance of 1,509 feet, more or less, to the point of a curve having an angle of 5°45' left, radius 7,239.41 feet, long chord of 723.20 feet, on a bearing of north 37°53'14" east. Thence along the arc of

said curve a distance of 726.51 feet, more or less, to the point of a compound curve having an angle of 6°00' left, radius 2,217.01 feet, long chord of 232.06 feet on a bearing of north 32°10'44" east. Thence along the arc of said curve a distance of 232.15 feet, more or less, to the point of a compound curve having an angle of 57°01'20" left, radius 1,303.74, long chord 1,244.62, on a bearing of north 0°40'04" east. Thence along the arc of said curve a distance of 1,297.22 feet, more or less, to the point of a compound curve having an angle of 7°59'54.3" left, radius 2,217.01 feet, long chord 309.23 feet on a bearing of north 31°49'33" west. Thence along the arc of said curve a distance of 310 feet, more or less, to the intersection of said curve with the property line of the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company and the United States of America. Thence in a northeasterly direction along a bearing of north 34°30'00" east a distance of 340 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning; excepting, however, such portion thereof as the President may, by Executive order or orders, prescribe, which portion shall be added to, and administered as part of, the Mount Vernon Memorial Highway, authorized by the Act approved May 23, 1928 (45 Stat. 721), as amended.

SEC. 2. The Secretary shall have control over, and responsibility for, the care, operation, maintenance, and protection of the airport, together with the power to make and amend such rules and regulations as he may deem necessary to the proper exercise thereof.

SEC. 3. The Secretary is empowered to lease, upon such terms as he may deem proper, space or property within or upon the airport for purposes essential or appropriate to the operation of the airport.

SEC. 4. (a) The Secretary, and any Department of Transportation employee appointed to protect life and property on the airport, when designated by the Secretary, is hereby authorized and empowered (1) to arrest under a warrant within the limits of the airport any person accused of having committed within the boundaries of the airport any offense against the laws of the United States, or against any rule or regulation prescribed pursuant to this Act; (2) to arrest without warrant any person committing any such offense within the limits of the airport, in his presence; or (3) to arrest without warrant within the limits of the airport any person whom he has reasonable grounds to believe has committed a felony within the limits of the airport.

(b) Any individual having the power of arrest as provided in subsection (a) of this section may carry firearms or other weapons as the Secretary may direct or by regulation may prescribe.

(c) The United States Park Police may, at the request of the Secretary, be assigned by the Director of the National Park Service, in his discretion, subject to the supervision and direction of the Secretary of the Interior, to patrol any area of the airport, and any members of the United States Park Police so assigned are hereby authorized and empowered to make arrests within the limits of the airport for the same offenses, and in the same manner and circumstances, as is provided in this section with respect to employees designated by the Secretary.

SEC. 5. Any person who knowingly and willfully violates any rule or regulation prescribed under this Act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not more than \$500 or imprisoned not more than six months, or both.

SEC. 6. The officer on duty in command of those employees designated by the Secretary as provided in section 4 may accept deposit of collateral from any person charged with the violation of any rule or regulation prescribed under this Act, for appearance in court or before the appropriate United States magistrate judge; and such collateral shall be deposited with the United States magistrate judge at Alexandria, Virginia.

SEC. 7. The Secretary may enter into agreements with the State of Virginia, or with any political subdivision thereof, for such municipal services as the Secretary shall deem necessary to the proper and efficient government of the airport, and he may, from time to time, agree to modifications in any such agreement: *Provided, however,* That where the charge for any such service is established by the laws of the State of Virginia, the Secretary may not pay for such service an amount in excess of the charge so established. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary for the making of payment for services under any such agreement.