



- (12) Fostering and supporting economic and industrial development and education in cooperation with private business enterprises, financial institutions, educational institutions, nonprofit institutions and organizations, state government and political subdivisions of the state, the federal government, and other organizations or persons concerned with research, development, education, commercial application, and economic or industrial development in ways which increase the economic base of the airport located in the parish.

Proposed law provides that for such enumerated purposes, the airport located in the parish may engage in whatever activities and projects it deems most appropriate to encourage and assist economic growth and development, including but not limited to the following:

- (1) To plan, acquire, construct, improve, maintain, equip, operate, regulate, and protect economic development facilities, including the acquisition, maintenance and operation of buildings and other facilities, and the purchase of and sale of supplies, goods, and commodities as an incident to the operation of its properties. For such purposes an authority may, by purchase, gift, or lease, acquire property, real or personal, or any interest therein, including easements in land outside the boundaries of such facility site.
- (2) To establish or acquire and maintain economic development facilities in, over, and upon any public waters of this state, any submerged lands under such public water; and to construct and maintain buildings, landing floats, causeways, roadways, and bridges for approaches to or connecting with any such facilities, and landing floats and breakwaters for the protection thereof.

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