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AN ACT to amend the public officers law and chapter 154 of the laws of 1921 relating to the port authority of New York and New Jersey, in relation to making the port authority of New York and New Jersey subject to certain freedom of information laws

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Subdivision 3 of section 86 of the public officers law, as added by chapter 933 of the laws of 1977, is amended to read as follows:

3. "Agency" means any state or municipal department, board, bureau, division, commission, committee, public authority, public corporation, council, office or other governmental entity performing a governmental or proprietary function for the state or any one or more municipalities thereof, INCLUDING THE PORT AUTHORITY OF NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY, except the judiciary or the state legislature.

S 2. Section 1 of chapter 154 of the laws of 1921, relating to the port authority of New York and New Jersey, is amended by adding a new article XV-B to read as follows:

ARTICLE XV-B

THE PORT AUTHORITY OF NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF NEW YORK PUBLIC OFFICERS LAW SECTIONS 84-90, COMMONLY KNOWN AS THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION LAW, AND TO THE PROVISIONS OF NEW JERSEY P.L. 1963, C.73 (C.47: 1A-1 ET SEQ.), COMMONLY KNOWN AS THE OPEN PUBLIC RECORDS ACT.

S 3. This act shall take effect upon the enactment into law by the state of New Jersey of legislation having an identical effect with this act, but if the state of New Jersey shall have already enacted such legislation, then it shall take effect immediately; provided, however,

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [ ] is old law to be omitted.

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the state of New Jersey shall notify the legislative bill drafting commission upon the occurrence of the enactment of the provisions provided for in this act in order that the commission may maintain an accurate and timely effective data base of the official text of the laws of the state of New York in furtherance of effecting the provisions of section 44 of the legislative law and section 70-b of the public officers law.