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AN ACT to amend chapter 154 of the laws of 1921 relating to the port authority of New York and New Jersey, in relation to the disclosure of records

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

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

4 ARTICLE XV-B.

5 1. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION TO THE CONTRARY, THE RECORDS OF THE  
6 PORT AUTHORITY SHALL BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS  
7 OF NEW YORK, ARTICLES 6 AND 6-A OF THE PUBLIC OFFICERS LAW, AND NEW  
8 JERSEY, P.L. 1963, C. 73 (C. 47:1A-1 ET SEQ.), PERTAINING TO THE DISCLO-  
9 SURE OF GOVERNMENT RECORDS.

10 2. WHEN THERE IS AN INCONSISTENCY BETWEEN THE LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW  
11 YORK AND THE LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, THE LAW OF THE STATE THAT  
12 PROVIDED THE GREATEST RIGHTS OF ACCESS ON THE DATE THAT THE CHAPTER OF  
13 THE LAWS OF 2014 THAT ADDED THIS ARTICLE BECAME A LAW SHALL APPLY.

14 3. THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 78 OF THE CIVIL PRACTICE LAW AND RULES OF  
15 THE STATE OF NEW YORK OR P.L. 1963, C. 73 (C. 47:1A-1 ET SEQ.), OF THE

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

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1 LAWS OF NEW JERSEY, AS APPLICABLE, SHALL APPLY TO ENFORCE THE PROVISIONS  
2 OF THIS ARTICLE.

3 S 2. Severability clause. If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivi-  
4 sion, section or part of this act shall be adjudged by any court of  
5 competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect,  
6 impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in  
7 its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section  
8 or part thereof directly involved in the controversy in which such judg-  
9 ment shall have been rendered. It is hereby declared to be the intent of  
10 the legislature that this act would have been enacted even if such  
11 invalid provisions had not been included herein.

12 S 3. This act shall take effect upon the enactment into law by the  
13 state of New Jersey of legislation having an identical effect with this  
14 act, but if the state of New Jersey shall have already enacted such  
15 legislation, this act shall take effect immediately. The chairman of the  
16 port authority shall notify the legislative bill drafting commission  
17 upon the enactment into law of such legislation by both such states in  
18 order that the commission may maintain an accurate and timely effective  
19 data base of the official text of the laws of the state of New York in  
20 furtherance of effecting the provision of section 44 of the legislative  
21 law and section 70-b of the public officers law.