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Introduced by Sen. RANZENHOFER -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules -- ordered to a third reading, amended and ordered reprinted, retaining its place in the order of third reading

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 port authority deemed an agency; and to repeal article XV-B of section 1 of chap-154 of the laws of 1921, relating to the port authority of New York and New Jersey, in relation to the records of the port authority

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

Article XV-B of section 1 of chapter 154 of the laws of Section 1. 1921 relating to the port authority of New York and New Jersey is REPEALED and a new article XV-B is added to read as follows:

ARTICLE XV-B

NOTWITHSTANDING ANY LAW TO THE CONTRARY, THE PORT AUTHORITY SHALL BE DEEMED AN "AGENCY" AND TREATED AS SUCH UNDER THE LAWS OF NEW YORK, UNDER ARTICLES SIX AND SIX-A OF THE PUBLIC OFFICERS LAW, SUCH AND SHALL BE DEEMED A "PUBLIC AGENCY" AND TREATED AS UNDER NEW JERSEY, P.L. 1963, C. 73 (C.47:1A-1 ET SEQ.), PERTAINING TO THE DISCLO-SURE OF GOVERNMENT RECORDS.

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

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

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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, this act shall take effect immediately. The chairman of the port authority shall notify the legislative bill drafting commission upon the enactment into law of such legislation by both such states 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 provision of section 44 of the legislative law and section 70-b of the public officers law.