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IN SENATE

June 9, 2015

Introduced by Sen. RITCHIE -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

AN ACT to amend the public authorities law, in relation to the powers of the Ogdensburg bridge authority and the Ogdensburg port authority

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

Section 1. Subdivisions 1 and 3 of section 706 of the public authorities law, subdivision 1 as amended by chapter 972 of the laws of 1969, subdivision 3 as amended by chapter 809 of the laws of 1968, are amended to read as follows:

- 1. The authority shall have power and is hereby authorized from time to time to issue its negotiable bonds in conformity with applicable provisions of the uniform commercial code in such amount as may be necessary to pay the cost of the bridge and approach roads herein authorized and the cost of all land, property, rights, easements and franchises deemed necessary for the construction thereof, and to pay interest prior to and during construction and for one year after completion of construction, FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND UPGRADES TO THE BRIDGE, the purchase price of the ferry or ferries authorized to be acquired, the repayment of any advances or appropriations made by the state of New York to the authority and such other expenses as may be deemed necessary or incident to the financing and to the construction of the bridge and approach roads, and to placing the same in operation, AND INFRASTRUCTURE, UPGRADE AND EXPANSION AT THE OGDENSBURG INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.
- 3. The bonds shall be authorized by resolution of the board. The bonds shall be dated, shall bear interest at such rate or rates not exceeding six per centum per annum, shall mature at such time or times all as may be determined by the authority and may be made redeemable before maturity, at the option of the authority, at such price or prices and under such terms and conditions as may be fixed by the authority

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

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prior to the issuance of the bonds. The authority shall determine the form and the manner of execution of the bonds, including any interest coupons to be attached thereto, and shall fix the denomination or denomthe bonds and the place or places of payment of principal and interest, which may be at any bank or trust company within or with-6 In case any officer whose signature or a facsimile of the state. 7 whose signature shall appear on any bonds or coupons shall cease to be 8 such officer before the delivery of such bonds, such signature or such facsimile shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes 9 10 same as if he had remained in office until such delivery, and any bond may bear the facsimile signature of, or may be signed by, 11 person as at the actual time of the execution of such bond shall be duly 12 13 authorized to sign such bond although at the date of such bond such 14 person may not have been such officer. The bonds may be issued in coupon form or in registered form or both coupon form and registered form as 16 the authority may determine, and provisions may be made by the authority 17 the registration of any coupon bond as to principal alone and also 18 as to both principal and interest, for the reconversion into coupon bonds of any bonds registered as to both principal and interest, and for 19 the exchange of either coupon bonds or registered bonds without coupons 20 21 for an equal aggregate principal amount of other coupon bonds or regis-22 tered bonds without coupons or both of any denomination or denomi-Notwithstanding any other provisions of this title or any 23 nations. 24 recitals in the bonds issued under the provisions of this title, all 25 such bonds shall be deemed to be negotiable instruments under the laws 26 of the state of New York. The authority may sell such bonds at public OR 27 PRIVATE sale, to the bidders who shall offer the lowest interest cost to authority, at such a price, not less than ninety-five per centum of 28 29 their value, that the interest cost to maturity for the money received 30 for any issue of such bonds shall not exceed six per centum per annum. Prior to the preparation of definitive bonds, the authority may, under 31 32 like restrictions, issue interim receipts or temporary bonds, with or 33 without coupons, exchangeable for definitive bonds when such bonds shall 34 have been executed and are available for delivery. The authority may also provide for the replacement of any bonds which shall become muti-35 36 lated or shall be destroyed or lost. Bonds may be issued by the authori-37 ty under the provisions of this title without any other proceedings or the happenings of any other conditions or things than those proceedings, 38 39 conditions or things which are specifically required by this title. 40

- S 2. Subdivisions 21 and 22 of section 1379 of the public authorities law, subdivision 21 as added by chapter 842 of the laws of 1959 and subdivision 22 as amended by chapter 759 of the laws of 1971, are amended to read as follows:
- (21) Negotiate with the officials of the city of Ogdensburg for the acquisition of the Ogdensburg [municipal] INTERNATIONAL airport, to acquire such airport, and when so acquired, to operate, maintain and improve such airport and to construct, extend, operate and maintain runways, hangars, shops, passenger stations, control towers, and all facilities necessary or convenient in connection with a modern [municipal] INTERNATIONAL airport; to contract for the construction, operation or maintenance of any parts thereof or for services to be performed; to rent parts thereof, and grant concessions; all on such terms and conditions as it may determine subject to all federal, state and local regulations.
- (22) Proceed with the development of the port district and to improve, construct [and], develop, RECONSTRUCT AND UPDATE such facilities as it

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may deem necessary including the leasing or rental of its properties and facilities for public or private purposes in order to make the development thereof economically feasible; provided, however, that no lease shall be made for a period of more than thirty years from the date of

- its execution. 5
- S 3. This act shall take effect immediately.