

1 AN ACT concerning port districts.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Tri-City Regional Port District Act is
5 amended by changing Sections 2, 6, and 23 and by adding
6 Section 15.5 as follows:

7 (70 ILCS 1860/2) (from Ch. 19, par. 285)

8 Sec. 2. When used in this Act:

9 "District" or "Port District" means the Tri-City Regional
10 Port District created by this Act.

11 "Terminal" means a public place, station or depot for
12 receiving and delivering baggage, mail, freight or express
13 matter and for any combination of such purposes, in
14 connection with the transportation of persons and property on
15 water or land or in the air.

16 "Terminal facilities" means all land, buildings,
17 structures, improvements, equipment and appliances useful in
18 the operation of public warehouse, storage and transportation
19 facilities and industrial, manufacturing, processing and
20 conversion activities for the accommodation of or in
21 connection with commerce by water or land or in the air or
22 useful as an aid to further the public interest, or
23 constituting an advantage or convenience to, the safe
24 landing, taking off and navigation of aircraft, or the safe
25 and efficient operation or maintenance of a public airport;
26 except that nothing in this definition contained shall be
27 interpreted as granting authority to the District to acquire,
28 purchase, create, erect or construct a bridge across any
29 waterway which serves as a boundary between the State of
30 Illinois and any other state.

31 "Port Facilities" means all public structures, except

1 terminal facilities as defined herein, that are in, over,
2 under or adjacent to navigable waters and are necessary for
3 or incident to the furtherance of water commerce and includes
4 the widening and deepening of slips, harbors and navigable
5 waters.

6 "Aircraft" means any contrivance now known or hereafter
7 invented, used or designed for navigation of, or flight in,
8 the air.

9 "Airport" means any locality, either land or water, which
10 is used or designed for the landing and taking off of
11 aircraft, or for the location of runways, landing fields,
12 airdromes, hangars, buildings, structures, airport roadways
13 and other facilities.

14 "Airport Hazard" means any structure, or object of
15 natural growth, located on or in the vicinity of an airport,
16 or any use of land near an airport which is hazardous to the
17 use of such airport for the landing and take-off of aircraft.

18 "Approach" means any path, course or zone defined by an
19 ordinance of the District or by other lawful regulation, on
20 the ground or in the air, or both, for the use of aircraft in
21 landing and taking off from an airport located within the
22 District.

23 "Commercial Aircraft" means any aircraft other than
24 public aircraft engaged in the business of transporting
25 persons or property.

26 "Private Aircraft" means any aircraft other than public
27 and commercial aircraft.

28 "Public Aircraft" means an aircraft used exclusively in
29 the governmental service of the United States, or of any
30 state or of any public agency, including military and naval
31 aircraft.

32 "Public Airport" means an airport owned by a Port
33 District, an airport authority or other public agency which
34 is used or is intended for use by public, commercial and

1 private aircraft and by persons owning, managing, operating
2 or desiring to use, inspect or repair any such aircraft or to
3 use any such airport for aeronautical purposes.

4 "Public Incinerator" means a facility for the disposal of
5 waste by incineration by any means or method for public use,
6 including, but not limited to, incineration and disposal of
7 industrial wastes.

8 "Public Interest" means the protection, furtherance and
9 advancement of the general welfare and of public health and
10 safety and public necessity and convenience ~~in-respect-to~~
11 ~~aeronautics~~.

12 "Navigable waters" means any public waters which are or
13 can be made usable for water commerce.

14 "Governmental agency" means the Federal, State and any
15 local governmental body, and any agency or instrumentality,
16 corporate or otherwise, thereof.

17 "Person" means any individual, firm, partnership,
18 corporation, both domestic and foreign, company, association
19 or joint stock association; and includes any trustee,
20 receiver, assignee or personal representative thereof.

21 "General obligation bond" means any bond issued by the
22 District any part of the principal or interest of which bond
23 is to be paid by taxation.

24 "Revenue bond" means any bond issued by the District the
25 principal and interest of which bond is payable solely from
26 revenues or income derived from terminal, terminal facilities
27 or port facilities of the District.

28 "Board" means the Tri-City Port District Board.

29 "Governor" means the Governor of the State of Illinois.

30 "Mayor" means the Mayor of the city of Venice, the Mayor
31 of the city of Madison or the Mayor of the city of Granite
32 City, as the case may require.

33 (Source: P.A. 77-1578.)

(70 ILCS 1860/6) (from Ch. 19, par. 289)

Sec. 6. The District has power to apply for and accept grants, loans, or appropriations from the federal government, the State of Illinois, and Madison County, or any agency or instrumentality thereof to be used for any of the purposes of the District and to enter into any agreements with the federal, State, and county governments government in relation to such grants, loans or appropriations.

The District may petition any federal, state, municipal, or local authority, administrative, judicial and legislative, having jurisdiction in the premises, for the adoption and execution of any physical improvement, change in method or system of handling freight, warehousing, docking, lightering, and transfer of freight, which in the opinion of the District is designed to improve or better the handling of commerce in and through the Port District or improve terminal or transportation facilities therein.

(Source: Laws 1959, p. 71.)

(70 ILCS 1860/15.5 new)

Sec. 15.5. A mayor may hold the office of Commissioner of the Tri-City Regional Port District simultaneously with the office of mayor. Notwithstanding any statute to the contrary, a mayor's acceptance of an appointment as a Commissioner of the Tri-City Regional Port District does not terminate or impair the mayor's public office.

(70 ILCS 1860/23) (from Ch. 19, par. 306)

Sec. 23. The Board may appoint an executive director a ~~general-manager~~ who shall be a person of recognized ability and business experience to hold office during the pleasure of the Board. The executive director ~~general-manager~~ shall have management of the properties and business of the District and the employees thereof subject to the general control of the

1 Board, shall direct the enforcement of all ordinances,
2 resolutions, rules and regulations of the Board, and shall
3 perform such other duties as may be prescribed from time to
4 time by the Board. The Board may appoint a general attorney
5 and a chief engineer, and a general manager to assist the
6 executive director, and shall provide for the appointment of
7 other officers, and the employment of additional attorneys,
8 engineers, consultants, agents and employees as may be
9 necessary. It shall define their duties and may require
10 bonds of such of them as the Board may designate. The
11 executive director, general manager, general attorney, chief
12 engineer, and all other officers provided for pursuant to
13 this section shall be exempt from taking and subscribing any
14 oath of office and shall not be members of the Board. The
15 compensation of the executive director, general manager,
16 general attorney, chief engineer, and all other officers,
17 attorneys, consultants, agents and employees shall be fixed
18 by the Board.

19 (Source: P.A. 80-323.)