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SENATE BILL NO. 154

BY SENATOR HEWITT

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PORTS/HARBORS/TERMINALS. Authorizes Plaquemines Port, Harbor and Terminal District to apply for designation as a foreign trade zone. (8/1/20)

AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 51:61, 64, and 65, relative to foreign trade zones; to provide relative to the Plaquemines Port, Harbor and Terminal District; to provide 3 authorization for the district to make application to be designated as a foreign trade 4 5 zone; and to provide for related matters. 6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: 7 Section 1. R.S. 51:61, 64, and 65 are hereby amended and reenacted to read as 8 follows: 9 §61. Definitions Whenever used in this Part, "board" refers to the New Orleans Aviation 10 11 Board, the Board of Commissioners of the Lake Charles Harbor and Terminal District, the South Louisiana Port Commission, the Livingston-Tangipahoa Parishes 12 13 Port Commission, the Greater Baton Rouge Port Commission, the Caddo-Bossier Port Commission, the Vidalia Port Commission, the Board of Commissioners of the 14 England Economic and Industrial Development District, and the Board of 15 Commissioners of the Port of New Orleans, and the Plaquemines Port, Harbor 16 17 and Terminal District, and in addition thereto, any port commission or port, harbor,

<u>and</u> terminal district, the New Orleans Regional Business Park, and any airport with an industrial park or property designated for industrial development.

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§64. Buildings or enclosures

The board may lease the right to do so or may erect, maintain, and operate any structures, buildings, or enclosures as may be necessary or proper for establishing and operating any foreign trade zones or subzones that may be established in the New Orleans International Airport, the South Louisiana Port Commission, the Lake Charles Harbor and Terminal District, the Livingston-Tangipahoa Parishes Port Commission, the Greater Baton Rouge Port Commission, the Caddo-Bossier Port Commission, the Vidalia Port Commission, the England Economic and Industrial Development District, or in the Port of New Orleans, the Plaquemines Port, Harbor and Terminal District, or any port commission or port, harbor, and terminal district, the New Orleans Regional Business Park, and any airport commission with an industrial park or property designated for industrial development under and by virtue of 19 U.S.C. §81a et seq.

§65. Extent of authority of commissioners

The authority granted in this Part to the board confers on the board the right to do all things necessary and proper to carry into effect the establishing, maintaining, and operating of foreign trade zones in the New Orleans International Airport, the South Louisiana Port Commission, the Lake Charles Harbor and Terminal District, the Port of New Orleans, the Livingston-Tangipahoa Parishes Port Commission, the Caddo-Bossier Port Commission, the Vidalia Port Commission, the England Economic and Industrial Development District, or the Greater Baton Rouge Port Commission, the Plaquemines Port, Harbor and Terminal District, or any port commission or port, harbor, and terminal district, the New Orleans Regional Business Park, and any airport with an industrial park or property designated for industrial development, and to comply fully with the provisions of 19 U.S.C. §81a et seq. and all regulations that may be made under it. Further, a board which does not

have federally authorized foreign trade zone status may enter into agreement with another board which has federally granted foreign trade zone authority to establish, maintain, or operate a subzone or subzones within the jurisdiction of the board, provided that such agreement shall not limit or affect the powers and authority of either board.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Sharon F. Lyles.

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<u>Present law</u> authorizes the following entities to make application to be designated as a foreign trade zone and to establish, maintain, and operate as a foreign trade zone:

- (1) New Orleans Aviation Board.
- (2) Board of Commissioners of the Lake Charles Harbor and Terminal District.
- (3) South La. Port Commission.
- (4) Livingston-Tangipahoa Parishes Port Commission.
- (5) Greater Baton Rouge Port Commission.
- (6) Caddo-Bossier Port Commission.
- (7) Vidalia Port Commission.
- (8) Board of Commissioners of the England Economic and Industrial Development District.
- (9) Board of Commissioners of the Port of New Orleans.
- (10) Any port commission or port, harbor, and terminal district.
- (11) New Orleans Regional Business Park.
- (12) Any airport with an industrial park or property designated for industrial development.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and adds the Plaquemines Port, Harbor and Terminal District.

Proposed law makes technical corrections.

Effective August 1, 2020.

(Amends R.S. 51:61, 64, and 65)