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AN ACT

- Amending the act of June 12, 1931 (P.L.575, No.200), entitled "An act providing for joint action by Pennsylvania and New 2 Jersey in the development of the ports on the lower Delaware River, and the improvement of the facilities for transportation across the river; authorizing the Governor, 5 for these purposes, to enter into an agreement with New 6 Jersey; creating The Delaware River Joint Commission and 7 specifying the powers and duties thereof, including the power 8 to finance projects by the issuance of revenue bonds; 9 transferring to the new commission all the powers of the 10 Delaware River Bridge Joint Commission; and making an 11 appropriation," further providing for the Delaware River 12 Joint Commission, for composition, for employees, for 13 financing and for executive sessions; providing for majority 14 approval and contract procedures; further providing for report; providing for conflicts of interest, for master plan and creating the Port Authority Transit Corporation 15 16 17 18 Commuter's Council; further providing for definitions; 19 authorizing the Governor to apply for approval; prohibiting the entrance into a compact until passage of a similar act; 20 21 and making editorial changes. 22 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 23 hereby enacts as follows: 24 Section 1. The Governor is authorized to enter into a 25 supplemental compact or agreement, on behalf of the
- 26 Commonwealth, with the State of New Jersey, further amending and

- 1 supplementing the compact or agreement between the Commonwealth
- 2 and the State of New Jersey entitled "Agreement between the
- 3 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey
- 4 creating The Delaware River Joint Commission as a body corporate
- 5 and politic and defining its powers and duties," which was
- 6 executed on behalf of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by its
- 7 Governor on July first, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-
- 8 one, and on behalf of the State of New Jersey by the New Jersey
- 9 Interstate Bridge Commission by its members on July first, one
- 10 thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, and which was consented to
- 11 by the Congress of the United States by Public Resolution Number
- 12 twenty-six, being chapter two hundred fifty-eight of the Public
- 13 Laws, Seventy-second Congress, approved June fourteenth, one
- 14 thousand nine hundred and thirty-two, which supplemental compact
- 15 and agreement shall be in substantially the following form:
- Supplemental agreement between the Commonwealth of
- 17 Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey further amending and
- 18 supplementing the agreement entitled "Agreement between the
- 19 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey
- 20 creating The Delaware River Joint Commission as a body corporate
- 21 and politic and defining its powers and duties," further
- 22 providing for The Delaware River Joint Commission, for
- 23 composition, for employees, for financing and for executive
- 24 sessions; providing for majority approval and contract
- 25 procedures; further providing for report; providing for
- 26 conflicts of interest, for master plan and creating the Port
- 27 Authority Transit Corporation Commuter's Council; further
- 28 providing for definitions; authorizing the Governor to apply for
- 29 approval; prohibiting the entrance into a compact until passage
- 30 of a similar act; and making editorial changes.

- 1 The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey
- 2 do solemnly covenant and agree, each with the other, that the
- 3 compact or agreement entitled "Agreement between the
- 4 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey
- 5 creating The Delaware River Joint Commission as a body corporate
- 6 and politic and defining its powers and duties," which was
- 7 executed on behalf of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by its
- 8 Governor on July first, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-
- 9 one, and on behalf of the State of New Jersey by the New Jersey
- 10 Interstate Bridge Commission by its members on July first, one
- 11 thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, and which was consented to
- 12 by the Congress of the United States by Public Resolution Number
- 13 twenty-six, being chapter two hundred fifty-eight of the Public
- 14 Laws, Seventy-second Congress, approved June fourteenth, one
- 15 thousand nine hundred and thirty-two, be amended as follows:
- 16 (1) That Articles I, II and IV of the compact, as
- amended April 3, 1992 (P.L.57, No.19), be amended to read:
- 18 ARTICLE I
- 19 The body corporate and politic, heretofore created and known
- 20 as The Delaware River Joint Commission, hereby is continued
- 21 under the name of The Delaware River Port Authority (hereinafter
- 22 in this agreement called the 'commission'), which shall
- 23 constitute the public corporate instrumentality of the
- 24 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey for the
- 25 following public purposes, and which shall be deemed to be
- 26 exercising an essential governmental function in effectuating
- 27 such purposes, to wit:
- 28 (a) The operation and maintenance of the bridge, owned
- 29 jointly by the two States, across the Delaware River between the
- 30 City of Philadelphia in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the

- 1 City of Camden in the State of New Jersey, including its
- 2 approaches, and the making of additions and improvements
- 3 thereto.
- 4 (b) The effectuation, establishment, construction,
- 5 acquisition, operation and maintenance of railroad or other
- 6 facilities for the transportation of passengers across any
- 7 bridge or tunnel owned or controlled by the commission,
- 8 including extensions of such railroad or other facilities
- 9 necessary for efficient operation in the Port District.
- 10 (c) The improvement and development of the Port District for
- 11 port purposes by or through the acquisition, construction,
- 12 maintenance or operation of any and all projects for the
- 13 improvement and development of the Port District for port
- 14 purposes, or directly related thereto, either directly by
- 15 purchase, lease or contract, or by lease or agreement with any
- 16 other public or private body or corporation, or in any other
- 17 manner.
- 18 (d) Cooperation with all other bodies interested or
- 19 concerned with, or affected by the promotion, development or use
- 20 of the Delaware River and the Port District.
- 21 (e) The procurement from the Government of the United States
- 22 of any consents which may be requisite to enable any project
- 23 within its powers to be carried forward.
- 24 (f) The construction, acquisition, operation and maintenance
- 25 of other bridges and tunnels across or under the Delaware River,
- 26 between the City of Philadelphia or the County of Delaware in
- 27 the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and the State of New Jersey,
- 28 including approaches, and the making of additions and
- 29 improvements thereto.
- 30 (g) The promotion as a highway of commerce of the Delaware

- 1 River, and the promotion of increased passenger and freight
- 2 commerce on the Delaware River and for such purpose the
- 3 publication of literature and the adoption of any other means as
- 4 may be deemed appropriate.
- 5 (h) To study and make recommendations to the proper
- 6 authorities for the improvement of terminal, lighterage,
- 7 wharfage, warehouse and other facilities necessary for the
- 8 promotion of commerce on the Delaware River.
- 9 (i) Institution through its counsel, or such other counsel
- 10 as it shall designate, or intervention in, any litigation
- 11 involving rates, preferences, rebates or other matters vital to
- 12 the interest of the Port District: Provided, That notice of any
- 13 such institution of or intervention in litigation shall be given
- 14 promptly to the Attorney General of the Commonwealth of
- 15 Pennsylvania and to the Attorney General of the State of New
- 16 Jersey, and provision for such notices shall be made in a
- 17 resolution authorizing any such intervention or litigation and
- 18 shall be incorporated in the minutes of the commission.
- 19 (j) The establishment, maintenance, rehabilitation,
- 20 construction and operation of a rapid transit system for the
- 21 transportation of passengers, express, mail, and baggage, or any
- 22 of them, between points in New Jersey within the Port District
- 23 and points in Pennsylvania within the Port District, and
- 24 intermediate points. Such system may be established either by
- 25 utilizing existing rapid transit systems, railroad facilities,
- 26 highways and bridges within the territory involved or by the
- 27 construction or provision of new facilities where deemed
- 28 necessary, and may be established either directly by purchase,
- 29 lease or contract, or by lease or agreement with any other
- 30 public or private body or corporation, or in any other manner.

- 1 (k) The performance of such other functions which may be of
- 2 mutual benefit to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State
- 3 of New Jersey insofar as concerns the promotion and development
- 4 of the Port District for port purposes and the use of its
- 5 facilities by commercial vessels.
- 6 (1) The performance or effectuation of such additional
- 7 bridge, tunnel, railroad, rapid transit, transportation,
- 8 transportation facility, terminal, terminal facility, and port
- 9 improvement and development purposes within the Port District as
- 10 may hereafter be delegated to or imposed upon it by the action
- 11 of either State concurred in by legislation of the other.
- 12 (m) The unification of the ports of the Delaware River
- 13 through (i) the acquisition or taking control of any terminal,
- 14 terminal facility, transportation facility or marine terminal or
- 15 port facility or associated property within the Port District
- 16 through purchase, lease or otherwise, or by the acquisition,
- 17 merger, becoming the successor to or entering into contracts,
- 18 agreements or partnerships with any other port corporation, port
- 19 authority or port-related entity which is located within the
- 20 Port District, all in accordance with the applicable laws of the
- 21 State in which the facility corporation or authority is located;
- 22 (ii) the exercise of the other powers granted by this compact;
- 23 or (iii) the establishment (whether solely or jointly with any
- 24 other entity or entities) of such subsidiary corporation or
- 25 corporations or maritime or port advisory committees as may be
- 26 necessary or desirable to effectuate this purpose.
- 27 (n) The planning, financing, development, acquisition,
- 28 construction, purchase, lease, maintenance, marketing,
- 29 improvement and operation of any project directly relating to
- 30 the operation of the Delaware River Port Authority, including,

- 1 but not limited to, any terminal, terminal facility,
- 2 transportation facility or any other facility of commerce [or
- 3 economic development activity], from funds available after
- 4 appropriate allocation for maintenance of bridge and other
- 5 capital facilities.
- 6 ARTICLE II
- 7 The commission shall consist of sixteen commissioners, eight
- 8 resident voters of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and eight
- 9 resident voters of the State of New Jersey, who shall serve
- 10 without compensation.
- 11 The commissioners for the State of New Jersey shall be
- 12 appointed by the Governor of New Jersey with the advice and
- 13 consent of the Senate of New Jersey, for terms of five years,
- 14 and in case of a vacancy occurring in the office of commissioner
- 15 during a recess of the Legislature, it may be filled by the
- 16 Governor by an ad interim appointment, which shall expire at the
- 17 end of the next regular session of the Senate unless a successor
- 18 shall be sooner appointed and qualify and, after the end of the
- 19 session, no ad interim appointment to the same vacancy shall be
- 20 made unless the Governor shall have submitted to the Senate a
- 21 nomination to the office during the session and the Senate shall
- 22 have adjourned without confirming or rejecting it; and no person
- 23 nominated for any such vacancy shall be eligible for an ad
- 24 interim appointment to such office if the nomination shall have
- 25 failed of confirmation by the Senate.
- 26 Six of the eight commissioners for the Commonwealth of
- 27 Pennsylvania shall be appointed by the Governor of Pennsylvania
- 28 for terms of five years. The Auditor General and the State
- 29 Treasurer of said Commonwealth shall, ex-officio, be
- 30 commissioners for said Commonwealth, each having the privilege

- 1 of appointing a representative to serve in his place at any
- 2 meeting of the commission which he does not attend personally.
- 3 Any commissioner who is an elected public official shall have
- 4 the privilege of appointing a representative to serve and act in
- 5 his place at any meeting of the commission which he does not
- 6 attend personally.
- 7 Pennsylvania commissioners who are not ex-officio members of
- 8 the commission shall be confirmed by a majority of the members
- 9 <u>elected to the Pennsylvania Senate.</u>
- 10 All commissioners shall continue to hold office after the
- 11 expiration of the terms for which they are appointed or elected
- 12 until their respective successors are appointed and qualify, but
- 13 no period during which any commissioner shall hold over shall be
- 14 deemed to be an extension of his term of office for the purpose
- 15 of computing the date on which his successor's term expires.
- 16 ARTICLE IV
- 17 For the effectuation of its authorized purposes, the
- 18 commission is hereby granted the following powers:
- 19 (a) To have perpetual succession;
- 20 (b) To sue and be sued;
- 21 (c) To adopt and use an official seal;
- 22 (d) To elect a chairman, vice-chairman, secretary and
- 23 treasurer, and to adopt suitable by-laws for the management of
- 24 its affairs. The secretary and treasurer need not be members of
- 25 the commission.
- 26 (e) To appoint, hire or employ counsel and such other
- 27 officers, and such agents and employes, as it may require for
- 28 the performance of its duties, by contract or otherwise, and fix
- 29 and determine their qualifications, duties and compensation;
- 30 (f) To enter into contracts;

- 1 (g) To acquire, own, hire, use, operate and dispose of
- 2 personal property;
- 3 (h) To acquire, own, use, lease, operate, mortgage and
- 4 dispose of real property and interests in real property, and to
- 5 make improvements thereon;
- 6 (h.1) At its option, [it may] to authorize the Department of
- 7 [Property and Supplies] <u>General Services</u> to prescribe standards
- 8 and specifications and make contracts and purchases of various
- 9 materials and services for the commission, pursuant to the
- 10 provisions of sections 2403, 2403.1 and 2409 of the act of April
- 11 9, 1929 (P.L.177), known as "The Administrative Code of 1929."
- 12 (i) To grant by franchise, lease or otherwise, the use of
- 13 any property or facility owned or controlled by the commission
- 14 and to make charges therefor;
- 15 (j) To borrow money upon its bonds or other obligations for
- 16 the purpose of financing any project authorized by or pursuant
- 17 to this compact or agreement, either with or without security,
- 18 and to make, enter into and perform any and all such covenants
- 19 and agreements with the holders of such bonds or other
- 20 obligations as the commission may determine to be necessary or
- 21 desirable for the security and payment thereof, including,
- 22 without limitation of the foregoing, covenants and agreements as
- 23 to the management and operation of any property or facility
- 24 owned or controlled by it, the tolls, rents, rates or other
- 25 charges to be established, levied, made and collected for any
- 26 use of any such property or facility, or the application, use
- 27 and disposition of the proceeds of any bonds or other
- 28 obligations of the commission, or the proceeds of any such
- 29 tolls, rents, rates or other charges or any other revenues or
- 30 moneys of the commission;

- 1 (k) To exercise the right of eminent domain within the Port
- 2 District;
- 3 (1) To determine the exact location, system and character
- 4 of, and all other matters in connection with, any and all
- 5 improvements or facilities which it may be authorized to own,
- 6 construct, establish, effectuate, operate or control;
- 7 (m) In addition to the foregoing, to exercise the powers,
- 8 duties, authority and jurisdiction heretofore conferred and
- 9 imposed upon the aforesaid The Delaware River Joint Commission
- 10 by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or the State of New Jersey,
- 11 or both of the said two States;
- 12 (n) To exercise all other powers, not inconsistent with the
- 13 constitutions of the two States or of the United States, which
- 14 may be reasonably necessary or incidental to the effectuation of
- 15 its authorized purposes or to the exercise of any of the
- 16 foregoing powers, except the power to levy taxes or assessments;
- 17 and generally to exercise, in connection with its property and
- 18 affairs and in connection with property within its control, any
- 19 and all powers which might be exercised by a natural person or a
- 20 private corporation in connection with similar property and
- 21 affairs;
- 22 (o) To acquire, purchase, construct, lease, operate,
- 23 maintain and undertake any project directly relating to the
- 24 operation of the Delaware River Port Authority, including any
- 25 terminal, terminal facility, transportation facility, or any
- 26 other facility of commerce, and to make charges for the use
- 27 thereof;
- 28 (p) To make expenditures anywhere in the United States and
- 29 foreign countries, to pay commissions, and hire or contract with
- 30 experts or consultants, and otherwise to do indirectly anything

- 1 which the commission may do directly.
- 2 (g) To establish one or more operating divisions as deemed
- 3 necessary to exercise the power and effectuate the purposes of
- 4 this agreement.
- 5 (r) To hold executive sessions consisting of the majority of
- 6 the members of the commission for the Commonwealth of
- 7 Pennsylvania and a majority of the members of the commission for
- 8 the State of New Jersey to address confidential matters,
- 9 <u>including matters concerning litigation</u>, personnel, contractual
- 10 negotiations and contract review. Neither the commissioners for
- 11 the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania nor the commissioners for the
- 12 State of New Jersey may meet in caucus separately from the
- 13 members of the other state.
- 14 [The commission shall also have such additional powers as may
- 15 hereafter be delegated to or imposed upon it from time to time
- 16 by the action of either State concurred in by legislation of the
- 17 other.
- 18 It is the policy and intent of the Legislatures of the
- 19 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey that
- 20 the powers granted by this Article shall be so exercised that
- 21 the American system of free competitive private enterprise is
- 22 given full consideration and is maintained and furthered. In
- 23 making its reports and recommendations to the Legislatures of
- 24 the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey on
- 25 the need for any facility or project which the commission
- 26 believes should be undertaken for the promotion and development
- 27 of the Port District, the commission shall include therein its
- 28 findings which fully set forth that the facility or facilities
- 29 operated by private enterprise within the Port District and
- 30 which it is intended shall be supplanted or added to are not

- 1 adequate.]
- 2 (2) The compact is amended by adding an article to read:
- 3 ARTICLE IV-A
- 4 The commission shall not negotiate, extend, amend or
- 5 otherwise alter the terms of a contract, or enter into any
- 6 contract, unless such action is voted on and approved by the
- 7 board in a public session and notice of such session is provided
- 8 to the public pursuant to subsection c. of section 3 of
- 9 P.L.1991, c.400 (C.32:3-4.7).
- 10 The commission shall use best practices in the procurement of
- 11 <u>necessary items and services, which shall include the</u>
- 12 requirement that the commission procure all supplies, services
- 13 and construction pursuant to the provisions of 62 Pa.C.S. Pt. I
- 14 <u>(relating to Commonwealth Procurement Code) and all pertinent</u>
- 15 laws of the State of New Jersey.
- 16 The commission shall establish, on its official Internet
- 17 website, a secure online process to allow prospective qualified
- 18 vendors to complete online any documents the commission requires
- 19 concerning requests for proposals.
- The commission shall also have such additional powers as may
- 21 hereafter be delegated to or imposed upon it from time to time
- 22 by the action of either state concurred in by legislation of the
- 23 other.
- 24 <u>It is the policy and intent of the Legislatures of the</u>
- 25 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey that
- 26 the powers granted by this article shall be so exercised that
- 27 <u>the American system of free competitive private enterprise is</u>
- 28 given full consideration and is maintained and furthered. In
- 29 <u>making its reports and recommendations to the Legislatures of</u>
- 30 the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey on

- 1 the need for any facility or project which the commission
- 2 believes should be undertaken for the promotion and development
- 3 of the Port District, the commission shall include therein its
- 4 <u>findings which fully set forth that the facility or facilities</u>
- 5 operated by private enterprise within the Port District and
- 6 which it is intended shall be supplanted or added to are not
- 7 <u>adequate</u>.
- 8 (3) That Article XII of the compact, as amended April 3,
- 9 1992 (P.L.57, No.19), be amended to read:
- 10 ARTICLE XII
- 11 The commission shall, within ninety days after the end of
- 12 each fiscal year, submit to the Governors and Legislatures of
- 13 the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey a
- 14 complete and detailed report of the following:
- 15 (1) its operations and accomplishments during the completed
- 16 fiscal year;
- 17 (2) its receipts and disbursements or revenues and expenses
- 18 during that year in accordance with the categories and
- 19 classifications established by the commission for its own
- 20 operating and capital outlay purposes;
- 21 (3) its assets and liabilities at the end of the fiscal
- 22 year, including the status or reserve, depreciation, special or
- 23 other funds including debits and credits of these funds;
- 24 (4) a schedule of bonds and notes outstanding at the end of
- 25 the fiscal year;
- 26 (5) a list of all contracts exceeding \$100,000 entered into
- 27 during the fiscal year;
- 28 (6) a business or strategic plan for the commission and for
- 29 each of its operating divisions; and
- 30 (7) a five-year capital plan.

- 1 [Not less than once every five years the commission shall
- 2 cause a management audit of its operational effectiveness and
- 3 efficiency to be conducted by an independent consulting firm
- 4 selected by the commission. The first management audit to be
- 5 conducted shall commence within three years of the date of
- 6 coming into force of the supplemental compact or agreement
- 7 authorized by this 1991 amendatory act. This audit is in
- 8 addition to any other audit which the commission determines to
- 9 conduct from time to time.]
- The commission shall submit biennially to an audit of its
- 11 budget conducted by an independent auditor selected by the New
- 12 <u>Jersey Comptroller and the Auditor General of Pennsylvania and</u>
- 13 approved by the Governors of New Jersey and Pennsylvania. The
- 14 audit shall be provided to the Governors and Legislatures of the
- 15 State of New Jersey and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania no
- 16 later than December 31 of every even-numbered year and shall
- 17 <u>include all expenditures, revenues and financial operations of</u>
- 18 the commission. Failure to submit to this audit shall result in
- 19 the forfeiture of the salary of every officer of the commission
- 20 or employe employed by the commission at a level at or exceeding
- 21 the level of director, or acting director, until such time as
- 22 the audit is complete.
- The commission shall submit biennially to a performance
- 24 review audit conducted by an independent auditor selected by the
- 25 New Jersey Comptroller and the Auditor General of Pennsylvania
- 26 and approved by the Governors of New Jersey and Pennsylvania.
- 27 The audit shall include an evaluation of whether the commission
- 28 is achieving efficiency and effectiveness in the employment of
- 29 its financial and operational resources and shall be provided to
- 30 the Governors and Legislatures of the State of New Jersey and

- 1 the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania no later than December 31 of
- 2 <u>every odd-numbered year. Failure to submit to this audit shall</u>
- 3 result in the forfeiture of the salary of every officer of the
- 4 <u>commission or employe employed by the commission at a level at</u>
- 5 or exceeding the level of director, or acting director, until
- 6 <u>such time as the audit is complete.</u>
- 7 Every two years the commission shall conduct a review of the
- 8 compensation of commission employes and officers for the purpose
- 9 of ensuring that compensation is commensurate with duties
- 10 performed. The commission shall provide a report on the
- 11 compensation of its employes and officers to the Governors and
- 12 Legislatures of the State of New Jersey and the Commonwealth of
- 13 Pennsylvania by June thirtieth of every even-numbered year. The
- 14 report shall provide the salary range of each job title and
- 15 shall include the following information concerning each
- 16 commission employe and officer:
- 17 (a) names;
- (b) annual salary;
- 19 (c) job title;
- 20 (d) hiring date; and
- 21 (e) job description.
- 22 Failure to conduct this review shall result in the forfeiture of
- 23 the salary of every officer of the commission or employe
- 24 employed by the commission at a level at or exceeding the level
- 25 of director, or acting director, until such time as the review
- 26 is complete.
- 27 [The commission shall, not later than two years after the
- 28 date of the coming into force of the supplemental compact or
- 29 agreement authorized by this 1992 amendatory act, prepare a
- 30 comprehensive master plan for the development of the Port

- 1 District. The plan shall include, but not be limited to, plans
- 2 for the construction, financing, development, reconstruction,
- 3 purchase, lease, improvement and operation of any terminal,
- 4 terminal facility, transportation facility or any other facility
- 5 of commerce or economic development activity. The master plan
- 6 shall include the general location of such projects and
- 7 facilities as may be included in the master plan and shall to
- 8 the maximum extent practicable include, but not be limited to, a
- 9 general description of each such projects and facilities, the
- 10 land use requirements necessary therefor, and estimates of
- 11 project costs and of a schedule for commencement of each such
- 12 project. Prior to adopting such master plan, the commission
- 13 shall give written notice to, afford a reasonable opportunity
- 14 for comment, consult with and consider any recommendations from
- 15 State, county and municipal government, as well as commissions,
- 16 public corporations and authorities and the private sector. The
- 17 commission may modify or change any part of the plan in the same
- 18 form and manner as provided for the adoption of the original
- 19 plan. At the time the commission authorizes any project or
- 20 facility, the commission shall promptly provide to the Governor
- 21 and Legislature of each State a detailed report on the project,
- 22 including its status within the master plan. The commission
- 23 shall include within the authorization a status of the project
- 24 or facility in the master plan and any amendment thereof, and no
- 25 project shall be authorized if not included in the master plan
- 26 or amendment thereof. Any project which has been commenced and
- 27 approved by the commission prior to the adoption of the master
- 28 plan shall be included, for informational purposes only, in the
- 29 master plan. The commission shall provide notice of such ongoing
- 30 projects to those State, county and municipal governments, as

- 1 well as entities in the private sector who would be entitled to
- 2 such notice had the project not been commenced in anticipation
- 3 of adopting the master plan, but there shall be not requirement
- 4 that the project be delayed or deferred due to those provisions.
- 5 In addition to other powers conferred upon it, and not in
- 6 limitation thereof, the commission may acquire all right, title
- 7 and interest in and to the Tacony-Palmyra Bridge, across the
- 8 Delaware River at Palmyra, New Jersey, together with any
- 9 approaches and interests in real property necessary thereto. The
- 10 acquisition of such bridge, approaches and interests by the
- 11 commission shall be by purchase or by condemnation in accordance
- 12 with the provisions of the Federal law consenting to or
- 13 authorizing the construction of such bridge or approaches, or
- 14 the acquisition of such bridge, approaches or interests by the
- 15 commission shall be pursuant to and in accordance with the
- 16 provisions of sections 48:5-22 and 48:5-23 of the Revised
- 17 Statutes of New Jersey, and for all the purposes of said
- 18 provisions and sections the commission is hereby appointed as
- 19 the agency of the State of New Jersey and the Commonwealth of
- 20 Pennsylvania exercising the rights and powers granted or
- 21 reserved by said Federal law or sections to the State of New
- 22 Jersey and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania jointly or to the State
- 23 of New Jersey acting in conjunction with the Commonwealth of
- 24 Pennsylvania. The commission shall have authority to so acquire
- 25 such bridge, approaches and interests, whether the same be
- 26 owned, held, operated or maintained by any private person, firm,
- 27 partnership, company, association or corporation or by any
- 28 instrumentality, public body, commission, public agency or
- 29 political subdivision (including any county or municipality) of,
- 30 or created by or in, the State of New Jersey or the Commonwealth

- 1 of Pennsylvania, or by any instrumentality, public body,
- 2 commission or public agency of, or created by or in, a political
- 3 subdivision (including any county or municipality) of the State
- 4 of New Jersey or the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. None of the
- 5 provisions of the preceding paragraph shall be applicable with
- 6 respect to the acquisition by the commission, pursuant to this
- 7 paragraph, of said Tacony-Palmyra Bridge, approaches and
- 8 interests. The power and authority herein granted to the
- 9 commission to acquire said Tacony-Palmyra Bridge, approaches and
- 10 interests shall not be exercised unless and until the Governor
- 11 of the State of New Jersey and the Governor of the Commonwealth
- 12 of Pennsylvania have filed with the commission their written
- 13 consents to such acquisition.
- 14 Notwithstanding any provision of this agreement, nothing
- 15 herein contained shall be construed to limit or impair any right
- 16 or power granted or to be granted to the Pennsylvania Turnpike
- 17 Commission or the New Jersey Turnpike Authority, to finance,
- 18 construct, operate and maintain the Pennsylvania Turnpike System
- 19 or any turnpike project of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority,
- 20 respectively, throughout the Port District, including the right
- 21 and power, acting alone or in conjunction with each other, to
- 22 provide for the financing, construction, operation and
- 23 maintenance of one bridge across the Delaware River south of the
- 24 City of Trenton in the State of New Jersey: Provided, That such
- 25 bridge shall not be constructed within a distance of ten miles,
- 26 measured along the boundary line between the Commonwealth of
- 27 Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey, from the existing
- 28 bridge, operated and maintained by the commission, across the
- 29 Delaware River between the City of Philadelphia in the
- 30 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the City of Camden in the State

- 1 of New Jersey, so long as there are any outstanding bonds or
- 2 other securities or obligations of the commission for which the
- 3 tolls, rents, rates, or other revenues, or any part thereof, of
- 4 said existing bridge shall have been pledged. Nothing contained
- 5 in this agreement shall be construed to authorize the commission
- 6 to condemn any such bridge.
- 7 Anything herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding, no
- 8 bridge or tunnel shall be constructed, acquired, operated or
- 9 maintained by the commission across or under the Delaware River
- 10 north of the boundary line between Bucks County and Philadelphia
- 11 County in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as extended across
- 12 the Delaware River to the New Jersey shore of said river, and
- 13 any new bridge or tunnel authorized by or pursuant to this
- 14 compact or agreement to be constructed or erected by the
- 15 commission may be constructed or erected at any location south
- 16 of said boundary line notwithstanding the terms and provisions
- 17 of any other agreement between the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 18 and the State of New Jersey. Except as may hereafter be
- 19 otherwise provided in conformity with Article IX hereof with
- 20 respect to specific properties designated by action of the
- 21 Legislatures of both of the signatory States, no property or
- 22 facility owned or controlled by the commission shall be acquired
- 23 from it by any exercise of powers of condemnation or eminent
- 24 domain.]
- 25 (4) The compact is amended by adding articles to read:
- 26 ARTICLE XII-A
- 27 <u>(1) (a) All commissioners, directors, officers and employes</u>
- 28 of the commission shall practice due diligence to avoid
- 29 situations in which their personal interest, activities or
- 30 financial affairs are, or are reasonably perceived as being, in

- 1 <u>conflict with the interests of the commission. Prior to each</u>
- 2 board meeting conducted pursuant to section 3 of P.L.1991, c.400
- 3 (C.32:3-4.7), the commission shall circulate a list of entities
- 4 that will be the subject of board action. Board members shall
- 5 identify in writing any conflicts in advance of board meetings.
- 6 (b) It shall be a conflict of interest for commissioners,
- 7 <u>directors</u>, <u>officers or employes to engage in political activity</u>
- 8 <u>or electioneering using commission resources or equipment, or</u>
- 9 <u>during work hours, commission meetings or other activities</u>
- 10 primarily related to employment with the commission.
- 11 (c) No commissioner, director, officer or employe of the
- 12 <u>commission shall have an interest in a business organization or</u>
- 13 engage in any business, transaction or professional activity,
- 14 which is in substantial conflict with the proper discharge of
- 15 the duties of the commissioners, directors, officers or employes
- 16 in the public interest. No commissioner, director, officer or
- 17 employe shall use or attempt to use an official position to
- 18 <u>secure unwarranted privileges, exemptions, advantages or</u>
- 19 <u>employment.</u>
- 20 (d) No commissioner, director, officer or employe may
- 21 directly or indirectly solicit, request, suggest or recommend to
- 22 any contractor, vendor or grant recipient, holding company,
- 23 affiliate, intermediary or subsidiary thereof, doing business
- 24 with the commission for the appointment or employment of any
- 25 person in any capacity.
- 26 (e) No commissioner, director, officer or employe of the
- 27 <u>commission or any immediate family member of a commissioner,</u>
- 28 director, officer or employe of the commission shall solicit or
- 29 accept any gift or item of value for personal benefit under any
- 30 circumstance which could be reasonably expected to influence, or

- 1 which may be perceived as being reasonably expected to
- 2 influence, the manner in which a commissioner, director, officer
- 3 or employe conducts the public business of the commission.
- 4 <u>(f) No commissioner, director, officer or employe of the</u>
- 5 commission or any immediate family member of a commissioner,
- 6 <u>director</u>, <u>officer or employe of the commission shall exert any</u>
- 7 undue influence with respect to any act of the commission,
- 8 including the selection of contractors, the hiring of or
- 9 <u>dismissal of employes or the making of any other decision where</u>
- 10 the influence of the commissioner, director, officer or employe
- 11 <u>is, or is likely to be perceived as, an interference with the</u>
- 12 <u>independent and objective decisions of the commission.</u>
- 13 (g) No employe employed as an officer, director or acting
- 14 director, or employed at a level exceeding that of an officer,
- 15 <u>director or acting director, shall accept or engage in</u>
- 16 employment with any professional service provider, vendor or
- 17 independent contractor of the commission for a period of two
- 18 years from the date of the termination of their employment with
- 19 the commission.
- 20 (h) The commission shall not enter into a contract with a
- 21 person, corporation or other legal entity that:
- 22 (1) is owned wholly or in part by a commissioner, director,
- 23 officer or employe or his relative; or
- 24 (2) a commissioner, director, officer or employe or his
- 25 relative has entered into a contractual or business relationship
- 26 with or has received a personal pecuniary benefit therefrom.
- 27 <u>(i) No person employed as a director or acting director, or</u>
- 28 employed at a level exceeding that of an officer, director or
- 29 <u>acting director</u>, shall hold outside employment.
- 30 (j) No commissioner, director or officer of the commission

- 1 shall make a charitable contribution, including a donation or
- 2 gift of money or anything of value, on behalf of the commission.
- 3 (k) The commission shall not make monetary contributions to
- 4 <u>charitable and civic organizations. A request for in-kind</u>
- 5 support to a charitable or civic organization shall be approved
- 6 by the commission at a public meeting.
- 7 (1) Each commissioner shall file financial statements in
- 8 compliance with the law of the state from which the commissioner
- 9 <u>was appointed.</u>
- 10 (2) (a) No commissioner, director, officer or employe of
- 11 the commission shall be paid compensation higher than the lesser
- 12 <u>salary of either the Governor of the State of New Jersey or the</u>
- 13 <u>Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.</u>
- 14 (b) The commission shall not compensate any commissioner,
- 15 director, officer or employe for expenses related to the use of
- 16 a vehicle that is procured by or for the commissioner, director,
- 17 officer or employe primarily for personal use or for the purpose
- 18 of commuting between home and work.
- 19 (c) The commission shall not extend to any commissioner,
- 20 director, officer or employe a personal line of credit or any
- 21 other form of credit agreement or compensation for any purpose.
- 22 (d) The commission is prohibited from entering into a
- 23 contract containing, or contingent upon, a written agreement or
- 24 understanding which requires a party to make a payment of a
- 25 portion of any consideration, commission, premium or fee
- 26 received under or attributable to the contract, with a person or
- 27 <u>entity not a party to the contract. The commission is required</u>
- 28 to include a provision in its contracts providing that no party
- 29 to the contract shall be required to make a payment of a portion
- 30 of any consideration, commission, premium or fee received under

- 1 or attributable to the contract, with a person or entity not a
- 2 party to the contract. A person or entity, which is a party to a
- 3 contract with the commission, is prohibited from offering to
- 4 <u>make or making a payment to another person or entity having a</u>
- 5 <u>separate contractual relationship with the commission in order</u>
- 6 to obtain contracts or agreements with the commission. A person
- 7 or entity, which is a party to a contract with the commission,
- 8 <u>is prohibited from receiving or soliciting payment of a portion</u>
- 9 of any consideration, commission, premium or fee received under
- 10 or attributable to a separate contractual relationship between
- 11 the commission and another person or entity.
- 12 (e) No commissioner, director, officer or employe shall
- 13 receive any lump sum expense allowance or contingent fund for
- 14 personal or official expenses except where the allowance or fund
- 15 <u>is expressly provided for by statute or legislative</u>
- 16 <u>appropriation</u>.
- 17 (f) No commissioner, director, officer or employe shall be
- 18 exempt from payment of any toll relating to the use of a
- 19 commission toll bridge or toll road, and the commission shall
- 20 not compensate any commissioner, director, officer or employe
- 21 for payment of the toll. An exception is provided for persons
- 22 operating under a collective bargaining agreement which provides
- 23 for toll exemptions. An excepted person shall not use or allow
- 24 the use of the exemption by any other person and, if the
- 25 <u>unauthorized use occurs, the excepted person shall forfeit the</u>
- 26 exemption.
- 27 (q) The commission shall require any current or prospective
- 28 vendor, including any director, officer, principal or partner
- 29 thereof, with which the commission conducts business for any
- 30 purpose or is in the process of establishing a business

- 1 relationship for any purpose to annually disclose a list of
- 2 current political campaign contributions made by the vendor, and
- 3 any such contributions made within four years prior to the
- 4 <u>vendor's involvement with the commission.</u>
- 5 (3) The commission shall be subject to the provisions of the
- 6 Pennsylvania act of February 14, 2008 (P.L.6, No.3), known as
- 7 the Right-to-Know Law, or to the provisions of P.L.1963, c.73
- 8 (C.47:1A-1 et seq.), commonly known as the open public records
- 9 act, as selected by the person or entity requesting the records.
- 10 (4) The commission shall adopt, within six months of the
- 11 <u>effective date of this section</u>, appropriate rules and
- 12 regulations concerning proper notice to the public and the news
- 13 media of its meetings and the right of the public and the news
- 14 media to be present at its meetings. The rules and regulations
- 15 adopted pursuant to this section shall provide for the same
- 16 notice and right of the public and news media to be present as
- 17 well as any other rights and duties provided in the "Senator
- 18 Byron M. Baer Open Public Meetings Act," P.L. 1975, c.231
- 19 (C.10:4-6 et seq.) and 65 Pa.C.S. Ch. 7 (relating to open
- 20 meetings). To the extent these laws conflict, the commission
- 21 shall incorporate into the rules and regulations the provisions
- 22 of that law which provide for the greatest rights to the public
- 23 and the news media.
- 24 (5) The commission shall not vote on any matter concerning a
- 25 commission contract unless notice is provided to the public at
- 26 least thirty days prior to the scheduled action by the
- 27 <u>commission</u>.
- 28 (6) The Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 29 and the Attorney General of the State of New Jersey are hereby
- 30 authorized to take action under the laws of the Commonwealth of

- 1 Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey to enforce the
- 2 provisions of the compact or agreement.
- 3 ARTICLE XIII
- 4 The commission shall, not later than two years after the
- 5 <u>effective date of the supplemental compact or agreement</u>
- 6 <u>authorized by this 2015 amendatory act, prepare a comprehensive</u>
- 7 master plan for the development of the Port District. The plan
- 8 shall include, but not be limited to, plans for the
- 9 construction, financing, development, reconstruction, purchase,
- 10 lease, improvement and operation of any terminal, terminal
- 11 facility, transportation facility or any other facility of
- 12 commerce. The master plan shall include the general location of
- 13 such projects and facilities as may be included in the master
- 14 plan and shall to the maximum extent practicable include, but
- 15 not be limited to, a general description of each such projects
- 16 and facilities, the land use requirements necessary therefor and
- 17 estimates of project costs and of a schedule for commencement of
- 18 each such project. Prior to adopting such master plan, the
- 19 <u>commission shall give written notice to, afford a reasonable</u>
- 20 opportunity for comment, consult with and consider any
- 21 recommendations from state, county and municipal government, as
- 22 well as commissions, public corporations and authorities and the
- 23 private sector. The commission may modify or change any part of
- 24 the plan in the same form and manner as provided for the
- 25 adoption of the original plan. At the time the commission
- 26 authorizes any project or facility, the commission shall
- 27 promptly provide to the Governor and Legislature of each state a
- 28 detailed report on the project, including its status within the
- 29 master plan. The commission shall include within the
- 30 authorization a status of the project or facility in the master

- 1 plan and any amendment thereof, and no project shall be
- 2 <u>authorized if not included in the master plan or amendment</u>
- 3 thereof. Any project which has been commenced and approved by
- 4 the commission prior to the adoption of the master plan shall be
- 5 <u>included</u>, for informational purposes only, in the master plan.
- 6 The commission shall provide notice of such ongoing projects to
- 7 those state, county and municipal governments, as well as
- 8 entities in the private sector who would be entitled to such
- 9 <u>notice had the project not been commenced in anticipation of</u>
- 10 adopting the master plan, but there shall be no requirement that
- 11 the project be delayed or deferred due to those provisions.
- 12 <u>In addition to other powers conferred upon it, and not in</u>
- 13 <u>limitation thereof</u>, the commission may acquire all right, title
- 14 and interest in and to the Tacony-Palmyra Bridge, across the
- 15 <u>Delaware River at Palmyra, New Jersey, together with any</u>
- 16 approaches and interests in real property necessary thereto. The
- 17 acquisition of such bridge, approaches and interests by the
- 18 commission shall be by purchase or by condemnation in accordance
- 19 with the provisions of the Federal law consenting to or
- 20 authorizing the construction of such bridge or approaches, or
- 21 the acquisition of such bridge, approaches or interests by the
- 22 commission shall be pursuant to and in accordance with the
- 23 provisions of sections 48:5-22 and 48:5-23 of the Revised
- 24 Statutes of New Jersey, and for all the purposes of said
- 25 provisions and sections the commission is hereby appointed as
- 26 the agency of the State of New Jersey and the Commonwealth of
- 27 Pennsylvania exercising the rights and powers granted or
- 28 reserved by said Federal law or sections to the State of New
- 29 Jersey and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania jointly or to the State
- 30 of New Jersey acting in conjunction with the Commonwealth of

- 1 Pennsylvania. The commission shall have authority to so acquire
- 2 <u>such bridge</u>, approaches and interests, whether the same be
- 3 owned, held, operated or maintained by any private person, firm,
- 4 partnership, company, association or corporation or by any
- 5 <u>instrumentality</u>, <u>public body</u>, <u>commission</u>, <u>public agency or</u>
- 6 political subdivision, including any county or municipality, of,
- 7 or created by or in, the State of New Jersey or the Commonwealth
- 8 of Pennsylvania, or by any instrumentality, public body,
- 9 <u>commission or public agency of, or created by or in, a political</u>
- 10 subdivision, including any county or municipality, of the State
- 11 of New Jersey or the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. None of the
- 12 provisions of the preceding paragraph shall be applicable with
- 13 respect to the acquisition by the commission, pursuant to this
- 14 paragraph, of said Tacony-Palmyra Bridge, approaches and
- 15 <u>interests. The power and authority herein granted to the</u>
- 16 commission to acquire said Tacony-Palmyra Bridge, approaches and
- 17 interests shall not be exercised unless and until the Governor
- 18 of the State of New Jersey and the Governor of the Commonwealth
- 19 of Pennsylvania have filed with the commission their written
- 20 consents to such acquisition.
- 21 Notwithstanding any provision of this agreement, nothing
- 22 herein contained shall be construed to limit or impair any right
- 23 or power granted or to be granted to the Pennsylvania Turnpike
- 24 Commission or the New Jersey Turnpike Authority, to finance,
- 25 construct, operate and maintain the Pennsylvania Turnpike System
- 26 or any turnpike project of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority,
- 27 <u>respectively, throughout the Port District, including the right</u>
- 28 and power, acting alone or in conjunction with each other, to
- 29 provide for the financing, construction, operation and
- 30 maintenance of one bridge across the Delaware River south of the

- 1 City of Trenton in the State of New Jersey: Provided, That such_
- 2 bridge shall not be constructed within a distance of ten miles,
- 3 <u>measured along the boundary line between the Commonwealth of</u>
- 4 Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey, from the existing
- 5 bridge, operated and maintained by the commission, across the
- 6 <u>Delaware River between the City of Philadelphia in the</u>
- 7 <u>Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the City of Camden in the State</u>
- 8 of New Jersey, so long as there are any outstanding bonds or
- 9 <u>other securities or obligations of the commission for which the</u>
- 10 tolls, rents, rates, or other revenues, or any part thereof, of
- 11 <u>said existing bridge shall have been pledged. Nothing contained</u>
- 12 <u>in this agreement shall be construed to authorize the commission</u>
- 13 to condemn any such bridge.
- 14 Anything herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding, no
- 15 bridge or tunnel shall be constructed, acquired, operated or
- 16 <u>maintained by the commission across or under the Delaware River</u>
- 17 north of the boundary line between Bucks County and Philadelphia
- 18 County in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as extended across
- 19 the Delaware River to the New Jersey shore of said river, and
- 20 any new bridge or tunnel authorized by or pursuant to this
- 21 compact or agreement to be constructed or erected by the
- 22 commission may be constructed or erected at any location south
- 23 of said boundary line notwithstanding the terms and provisions
- 24 of any other agreement between the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 25 and the State of New Jersey. Except as may hereafter be
- 26 otherwise provided in conformity with Article IX hereof with
- 27 <u>respect to specific properties designated by action of the</u>
- 28 Legislatures of both of the signatory states, no property or
- 29 facility owned or controlled by the commission shall be acquired
- 30 from it by any exercise of powers of condemnation or eminent

- 1 domain.
- 2 (5) That the heading of Article XII-A of the compact,
- 3 added August 10, 1951 (P.L.1206, No.274), be renumbered to
- 4 read:
- 5 ARTICLE [XII-A] <u>XIII-A</u>
- 6 (6) That the heading of Article XII-B of the compact,
- 7 added June 11, 1963 (P.L.102, No.69), be renumbered to read:
- 8 ARTICLE [XII-B] XIII-B
- 9 (7) That the compact be amended by adding an article to
- 10 read:
- 11 <u>ARTICLE XIII-C</u>
- 12 (1) There is created under the commission the Port Authority
- 13 Transit Corporation Commuter's Council, to study, investigate,
- 14 monitor and make recommendations with respect to the maintenance
- 15 and operation of the Port Authority Transit Corporation's
- 16 facilities for the transportation of passengers. The council
- 17 shall study and investigate all aspects of the day-to-day
- 18 operations of the Port Authority Transit Corporation, monitor
- 19 its performance and recommend changes to improve the efficiency
- 20 of the operation of Port Authority Transit Corporation service.
- 21 (2) The council shall consist of four resident voters of the
- 22 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and four resident voters of the
- 23 State of New Jersey, who shall be commuters regularly using the
- 24 transportation services of the Port Authority Transit
- 25 Corporation. The members from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 26 shall be appointed by the Governor of Pennsylvania, subject to
- 27 <u>confirmation by a majority of members of the Pennsylvania</u>
- 28 Senate, and the members from the State of New Jersey shall be
- 29 appointed by the Governor of New Jersey. Each of the members
- 30 shall serve for a term of three years. Vacancies occurring in

- 1 the membership of the council shall be filled in the same manner
- 2 as the original appointment.
- 3 (3) Members of the council shall serve without compensation
- 4 but may be reimbursed, subject to the limits of funds
- 5 appropriated or otherwise made available for those purposes, for
- 6 expenses actually incurred in attending meetings of the council_
- 7 and in performance of their duties as members of the council.
- 8 (4) The commission shall provide the council with assistance
- 9 and information as may be necessary for the purposes of this
- 10 section.
- 11 (8) Article XIII of the compact, amended April 3, 1992,
- 12 P.L.57, No.19), is amended to read:
- 13 ARTICLE [XIII] XIV
- 14 As used herein, unless a different meaning clearly appears
- 15 from the context:
- 16 "Port District" shall mean all the territory within the
- 17 counties of Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery and
- 18 Philadelphia in Pennsylvania, in all the territory within the
- 19 counties of Atlantic, Burlington, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland,
- 20 Glouster, Ocean and Salem in New Jersey.
- 21 "Commission" shall mean The Delaware River Port Authority
- 22 and, when required by the context, the board constituting the
- 23 governing body thereof in charge of its property and affairs.
- 24 "Commission resources" shall mean commission-owned or
- 25 commission-leased equipment, including telephones, computer
- 26 hardware or software, copiers, scanners, fax machines, file
- 27 <u>cabinets or other office furniture, cell phones, person digital</u>
- 28 assistant devices or similar electronic devices and office
- 29 <u>supplies.</u>
- "Commissioner" shall mean a member of the governing body of

- 1 The Delaware River Port Authority.
- 2 "Director" shall include the engineering director, bridge
- 3 directors, director of the Port of Philadelphia and Camden,
- 4 <u>director of risk management and safety, director of human</u>
- 5 <u>resource services</u>, <u>director of information services</u>, <u>finance</u>
- 6 <u>director of Port Authority Transit Corporation</u>, <u>director of</u>
- 7 <u>revenue</u>, <u>director</u> of <u>finance</u>, <u>director</u> of <u>emergency management</u>
- 8 and homeland security or any similar position created by the
- 9 <u>commission</u>.
- 10 "Doing business with the commission" shall include the
- 11 <u>following:</u>
- 12 <u>(1) Matters concerning the commission's acquisition,</u>
- 13 <u>disposal or improvement of real property.</u>
- 14 (2) The making of the commission's contracts or the
- 15 <u>settlement of claims related to the commission's contracts.</u>
- 16 (3) The procurement of commission supplies, equipment,
- 17 services or professional services, including without limitation,
- 18 <u>legal</u>, accounting and investment services.
- 19 (4) The initiation or settlement of litigation to which the
- 20 commission is a party.
- 21 (5) The grant by the commission of a subsidy or privilege.
- 22 (6) The issuance and placement of commission debt
- 23 obligations.
- 24 (7) The deposit of commission funds.
- 25 (8) Other transactions in which the commission has a
- 26 financial interest.
- 27 ["Economic development activity" or "economic development"
- 28 shall mean any structure of facility or any development within
- 29 the Port District in connection with manufacturing, port-
- 30 oriented development, foreign trade zone site development or

- 1 research, commercial, industrial or recreational purposes, or
- 2 for purposes of warehousing or consumer and supporting services
- 3 directly relating to any of the foregoing or to any authority
- 4 project or facility which are required for the sound economic
- 5 development of the Port District.]
- 6 "Employe" shall include all persons employed by the
- 7 <u>commission other than officers and directors.</u>
- 8 "Immediate family member" shall include the spouse, parent,
- 9 stepparent, parent-in-law, grandparent, child, stepchild,
- 10 grandchild, brother, sister, stepbrother, stepsister, half-
- 11 brother, half-sister, aunt, uncle, niece or nephew of any
- 12 current commissioner, officer or employe, whether related by
- 13 <u>blood</u>, marriage or adoption.
- 14 "Officer" shall include the chief executive officer, deputy
- 15 chief executive officer, corporate secretary, treasurer, chief
- 16 public safety officer or police chief, chief financial officer,
- 17 chief administrative officer, chief operating officer, the Port
- 18 Authority Transit Corporation general manager and assistant
- 19 general manager, general counsel or any similar position created
- 20 by the commission.
- 21 "Political activity" shall mean an activity on behalf of a
- 22 political party, candidate, political committee or campaign,
- 23 which is intended to advance the interests of a specific party,
- 24 candidate, political committee or campaign for elective office.
- 25 (1) The term shall include:
- 26 (a) Organizing a campaign meeting, campaign rally or other
- 27 campaign event, including a fundraiser where campaign
- 28 contributions are solicited or received.
- 29 (b) Preparing or completing responses to candidate
- 30 guestionnaires that are intended solely for campaign use.

- 1 (c) Preparing a campaign finance report.
- 2 (d) Conducting background research on a candidate.
- 3 (e) Preparing or conducting a campaign poll.
- 4 (f) Preparing, circulating or filing a candidate nominating
- 5 petition or papers.
- 6 (g) Participating in, preparing, reviewing or filing a legal
- 7 <u>challenge to a nominating petition.</u>
- 8 (h) Preparing, distributing or mailing campaign literature,
- 9 campaign signs or other campaign material, including television
- 10 and radio advertisements, website construction, e-mails,
- 11 facsimiles and robocalls, on behalf of any candidate for
- 12 elective office.
- 13 (i) Managing a campaign for elective office.
- 14 (j) Participating in, preparing, reviewing or filing a
- 15 document in a recount, challenge or contest of an election.
- 16 (k) Posting campaign-related information on an Internet
- 17 website, including social media websites.
- 18 (1) Soliciting or receiving campaign contributions in a
- 19 commission office, on commission property or with commission
- 20 resources.
- 21 (m) Using commission resources to create, store or maintain
- 22 a mailing list that identifies the listed individuals as
- 23 <u>campaign volunteers or contributors to a candidate, political</u>
- 24 party, political committee, campaign or campaign committee.
- 25 (n) Developing a list for the purpose of monitoring or
- 26 tracking campaign activity or campaign contributions of any
- 27 <u>commission employe.</u>
- 28 (2) The term shall not include:
- 29 <u>(a) Registering and voting in an election.</u>
- 30 (b) Expressing an opinion as an individual privately or

- 1 publicly on political subjects and candidates.
- 2 (c) Displaying a political picture, sticker, badge or button
- 3 when not on duty and at locations other than the workplace and
- 4 <u>commission property.</u>
- 5 (d) Participating in the nonpartisan activities of a civic,
- 6 community, social, labor or professional organization or of a
- 7 <u>similar organization</u>.
- 8 (e) Being a member of a political party or other political
- 9 organization or club and participating in its activities to the
- 10 extent consistent with this compact.
- 11 (f) Attending a political convention, rally, fundraising
- 12 <u>function or other political gathering.</u>
- 13 (g) Signing a political petition as an individual.
- 14 (h) Making a financial contribution to a political party or
- 15 <u>organization</u>.
- 16 (i) Being politically active in connection with a question
- 17 which is not specifically identified with a political party,
- 18 such as any constitutional amendment, referendum, approval of a
- 19 municipal ordinance or other question or issue of a similar
- 20 character.
- 21 (j) Otherwise participating fully in public affairs, except
- 22 as prohibited by law, in a manner which does not materially
- 23 compromise efficiency or integrity as an employe or the
- 24 efficiency or integrity of the commission.
- 25 "Relative" shall mean any:
- 26 (a) Spouse, parent, stepparent, parent-in-law, grandparent,
- 27 <u>child, stepchild, grandchild, brother, sister, stepbrother,</u>
- 28 stepsister, half-brother, half-sister, aunt, uncle, niece or
- 29 <u>nephew of any current commissioner, officer or employe, whether</u>
- 30 related by blood, marriage or adoption.

- 1 (b) Significant other of a commissioner, officer, director
- 2 or employe.
- 3 (c) Individual residing in the same household as a
- 4 <u>commissioner</u>, <u>officer</u>, <u>director or employe</u>.
- 5 "Terminal" shall include any marine, motor truck, motorbus,
- 6 railroad and air terminal or garage, also any coal, grain and
- 7 lumber terminal and any union freight and other terminals used
- 8 or to be used in connection with the transportation of
- 9 passengers and freight, and equipment, materials and supplies
- 10 therefor.
- 11 "Transportation facility" and "facilities for transportation
- 12 of passengers" shall include railroads operated by steam,
- 13 electricity or other power, rapid transit lines, motor trucks,
- 14 motorbuses, tunnels, bridges, airports, boats, ferries,
- 15 carfloats, lighters, tugs, floating elevators, barges, scows, or
- 16 harbor craft of any kind, and aircraft, and equipment, materials
- 17 and supplies therefor.
- "Terminal facility" shall include wharves, piers, slips,
- 19 berths, ferries, docks, drydocks, ship repair yards, bulkheads,
- 20 dock walls, basins, carfloats, floatbridges, dredging equipment,
- 21 radio receiving and sending stations, grain or other storage
- 22 elevators, warehouses, cold storage, tracks, yards, sheds,
- 23 switches, connections, overhead appliances, bunker coal, oil and
- 24 fresh water stations, markets, and every kind of terminal,
- 25 storage or supply facility now in use, or hereafter designed for
- 26 use to facilitate passenger transportation and for the handling,
- 27 storage, loading or unloading of freight at terminals, and
- 28 equipment, materials and supplies therefor.
- 29 "Transportation of passengers" and "passenger transportation"
- 30 shall mean the transportation of passengers by railroad or other

- 1 facilities.
- 2 "Rapid transit system" shall mean a transit system for the
- 3 transportation of passengers, express, mail and baggage by
- 4 railroad or other facilities, and equipment, materials and
- 5 supplies therefor.
- 6 "Project" shall mean any improvement, betterment, facility or
- 7 structure authorized by or pursuant to this compact or agreement
- 8 to be constructed, erected, acquired, owned or controlled or
- 9 otherwise undertaken by the commission. "Project" shall not
- 10 include undertakings for purposes described in Article I,
- 11 subdivisions (d), (e), (g), (h) and (i).
- "Railroad" shall include railways, extensions thereof,
- 13 tunnels, subways, bridges, elevated structures, tracks, poles,
- 14 wires, conduits, powerhouses, substations, lines for the
- 15 transmission of power, carbarns, shops, yards, sidings,
- 16 turnouts, switches, stations and approaches thereto, cars and
- 17 motive equipment.
- "Bridge" and "tunnel" shall include such approach highways
- 19 and interests in real property necessary therefor in the
- 20 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or the State of New Jersey as may
- 21 be determined by the commission to be necessary to facilitate
- 22 the flow of traffic in the vicinity of a bridge or tunnel or to
- 23 connect a bridge or tunnel with the highway system or other
- 24 traffic facilities in said Commonwealth or said State: Provided,
- 25 however, That the power and authority herein granted to the
- 26 commission to construct new or additional approach highways
- 27 shall not be exercised unless and until the Department of
- 28 Transportation of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall have
- 29 filed with the commission its written approval as to approach
- 30 highways to be located in said Commonwealth and the State

- 1 Highway Department of the State of New Jersey shall have filed
- 2 with the commission its written approval as to approach highways
- 3 to be located in said State.
- 4 "Facility" shall include all works, buildings, structures,
- 5 property, appliances, and equipment, together with appurtenances
- 6 necessary and convenient for the proper construction, equipment,
- 7 maintenance and operation of a facility or facilities or any one
- 8 or more of them.
- 9 "Personal property" shall include choses in action and all
- 10 other property now commonly, or legally, defined as personal
- 11 property, or which may hereafter be so defined.
- "Lease" shall include rent or hire.
- "Municipality" shall include a county, city, borough,
- 14 village, township, town, public agency, public authority or
- 15 political subdivision.
- Words importing the singular number include the plural number
- 17 and vice versa.
- 18 Wherever legislation or action by the Legislature of either
- 19 signatory State is herein referred to, it shall mean an act of
- 20 the Legislature duly adopted in accordance with the provisions
- 21 of the Constitution of such State.
- 22 Section 2. The Governor is authorized to apply, on behalf of
- 23 the Commonwealth, to Congress for its consent and approval to
- 24 the supplemental compact or agreement set forth in section 1.
- 25 Section 3. The Governor shall not enter into any
- 26 supplemental compact or agreement under this act until the State
- 27 of New Jersey shall have passed a substantially similar act
- 28 embodying the agreement between the two states as set forth in
- 29 section 1.
- 30 Section 4. The Governor shall publish the date of approval

- 1 by the Congress of the United States as prescribed by section 10
- 2 of Article I of the Constitution of the United States of the
- 3 supplemental compact or agreement authorized by this act as a
- 4 notice in the Pennsylvania Bulletin.
- 5 Section 5. The supplemental compact or agreement authorized
- 6 by this act shall become operative and effective upon
- 7 publication of the notice provided for under section 4 of this
- 8 act.
- 9 Section 6. This act shall take effect immediately. AS <--
- 10 FOLLOWS:
- 11 (1) THE AMENDMENT OF ARTICLE II OF THE COMPACT SHALL
- 12 TAKE EFFECT DECEMBER 31, 2018.
- 13 (2) THE REMAINDER OF THIS ACT SHALL TAKE EFFECT
- 14 IMMEDIATELY.