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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

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(Division of International Trade--expand functions-- Commission on International Trade)

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Sponsor(s): Brown

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Senate: Labor, Industry and Professions

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Senate Yes

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SENATE, No. 1778

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED MAY 14, 1984

By Senators BROWN, COSTA, FORAN, DiFRANCESCO
and FELDMAN

Referred to Committee on Labor, Industry and Professions

AN ACT concerning international trade, augmenting the functions of the Division of International Trade in the Department of Commerce and Economic Development, establishing the Governor's Commission on International Trade, **and** supplementing Title 52 of the Revised Statutes***[**, and providing an appropriation therefor**]***

1 BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
2 *of New Jersey:*

1 1. The Legislature finds and determines that:

2 a. The expansion of international trade is vital to the mainte-
3 nance and continued growth of a healthy New Jersey economy;

4 b. An increase in exports from New Jersey would benefit the
5 State and ultimately the nation by improving the United States
6 balance of trade;

7 c. The State of New Jersey boasts a comprehensive and efficient
8 transportation system, including a major international airport,
9 an inter and intrastate railway and extensive port facilities in both
10 the northern and southern New Jersey regions;

11 d. As a major northeastern industrial state, New Jersey has a
12 skilled labor force whose members produce manufactured and
13 agricultural goods, high technology and services all of which are
14 marketable to foreign consumers;

15 e. The Legislature established the Division of International
16 Trade in the Department of Commerce and Economic Development
17 for the express purpose of promoting New Jersey in international

EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter printed in italics *thus* is new matter.

Matter enclosed in asterisks or stars has been adopted as follows:

***—Senate committee amendments adopted September 13, 1984.**

****—Senate amendments adopted November 29, 1984.**

*****—Senate amendments adopted December 6, 1984.**

18 commerce and encouraging firms with foreign trade potential to
19 locate in New Jersey;

20 f. In order to realize New Jersey's export potential and effec-
21 tively promote the State in international trade, it is necessary
22 to augment certain functions of the Division of International Trade,
23 thus confirming it as the leading State agency in the field of
24 international commerce, and to establish a bipartisan commission
25 of trade experts.

1 2. In addition to duties otherwise prescribed by law, the Division
2 of International Trade shall:

3 a. Conduct research and analysis of international markets, in-
4 ternational business practices, specific business skills necessary
5 to engage in international commerce and methods of stimulating
6 reinvestment in New Jersey;

7 b. Establish a data center which provides information on com-
8 mercial opportunities in international trade, resources for technical
9 and financial trade assistance, and employment opportunities in
10 international business, in cooperation with the Department of
11 Education through the State Library and various agencies in-
12 volved in international trade***[.]*** *;*

13 c. Regularly represent or assist in representing the interests
14 of New Jersey-based firms in foreign market transactions through
15 regularly scheduled trade delegations, missions and semi-
15A nars*****[.]***** ***,***

16 d. Provide New Jersey-based firms with customized technical
17 and other needed assistance in international trade;

18 e. Utilize sufficient funds for international travel by appropriate
19 members of the division staff in order to promote New Jersey
20 exports and publicize the advantages of the State of New Jersey as
21 a location from which to engage in export trade***[.]*** *; and*

22 f. Recruit foreign capital investment in New Jersey to be applied
23 toward economic development and job creation.

1 3. a. There is established the Governor's Commission on Inter-
2 national Trade which shall consist of *****[15]***** ***16*** citizens
3 of the State **,*****[five]***** ***eight*** of whom shall be**
4 appointed by the Governor*****[with the advice and consent of the**
5 **Senate**]***** *****[five]***** ***four*** of whom shall be appointed
6 by the Governor upon the recommendation of the President of the
6A Senate and *****[five]***** ***four*** of whom shall be appointed by
7 the Governor upon the recommendation of the Speaker of the
8 General Assembly,** to serve for a term of three years from the
9 date of appointment, except that of those initially appointed, five

10 shall be appointed for a term of one year, ***[five]*** **six***
 11 for a term of two years and five for a term of three years. Each
 12 member of the commission shall be qualified by substantial expe-
 13 rience and training in at least one of the following fields: agri-
 13A culture; international banking and financial services; foreign trade
 13B zones; international trade associations; industrial labor relations;
 13C small business and entrepreneurship; large corporate enterprise;
 13D international transportation; private international law; and inter-
 13E national business education.

14 The proceedings of the commission shall be directed by a chair-
 15 person appointed by the Governor from among the commission
 16 membership. The commission shall convene and meet at least once
 17 every three months.

18 The Commissioner of Commerce and Economic Development,
 19 the Commissioner of Labor, and the Director of the Division of
 20 International Trade shall be members ex officio. Members of the
 21 commission shall serve without compensation but may be reim-
 22 bursed for necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their
 23 duties. Any vacancies in the membership of the ***[council]***
 24 ***commission*** occurring other than by expiration of term shall
 25 be filled by the Governor, ***[with the advice and consent of the
 26 Senate,]*** for the unexpired term only. Any member of the com-
 27 mission may be removed from office by the Governor, for cause upon
 27A notice and opportunity to be heard.

28 b. The commission shall:

29 (1) Conduct an annual review and assessment of the program
 30 objectives and strategies of the Division of International Trade;

31 (2) Monitor the trade-related activities of State, bi-state and
 32 federal agencies to ensure that they are consistent with the pro-
 33 grams and policies established by the Division of International
 34 Trade in the Department of Commerce and Economic Development
 35 in order to promote New Jersey in international trade*[,]**;*

36 (3) Publicize and promote, in cooperation and consultation with
 37 the division, the importance of international trade among the
 38 members of New Jersey's business and labor communities and the
 39 general public through appropriate media;

40 (4) Serve as the official State host to foreign trade delegations
 41 and dignitaries who visit the State to explore possible business
 42 ventures; *and]*

43 (5) Advise and consult with State elected officials on a non-
 44 partisan basis in proposing initiatives aimed at enhancing New
 45 Jersey's participation in international trade; *and*

46 (6) Make recommendations to the Governor concerning pending
47 State and federal legislation likely to affect New Jersey's partici-
48 pation in international trade.

1 ***[4.** There is appropriated \$500,000.00 to the Division of Inter-
2 national Trade in the Department of Commerce and Economic
3 Development in order to effectuate the purposes of this act.]*

1 ***[5.]*** *4.* This act shall take effect immediately.

STATEMENT

This bill would augment the responsibilities of the Division of International Trade by making it better able to promote New Jersey exports, recruit foreign investment in New Jersey and generally increase the international trade awareness of New Jersey-based companies.

The bill would also establish a permanent bipartisan Governor's commission comprised of business and trade experts. The commission would compliment the promotional activities of the division by providing program and policy guidance and performing certain diplomatic functions for the State in trade matters.

ASSEMBLY COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 1778

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: FEBRUARY 25, 1985

This bill augments the existing statutory functions of the Division of International Trade in the Department of Commerce and Economic Development. The bill would require the division to conduct research and analysis of international markets and international business practices, as well as research into methods of stimulating reinvestment in New Jersey. The division would also be required to establish a data center to provide information on commercial opportunities in international trade, resources for technical and financial trade assistance, and information on employment opportunities in international business. The bill further requires the division to represent or assist in representing the interest of New Jersey-based firms in foreign market transactions through regularly scheduled trade delegations, missions and seminars. The division would be charged with providing New Jersey-based firms with customized technical and other necessary assistance in international trade and with utilizing sufficient funds for international travel by members of the division staff in order to promote New Jersey exports and to publicize New Jersey as a location from which to engage in export trade. Finally, the division would be required to recruit foreign capital investment in New Jersey.

The bill also establishes a permanent Governor's Commission on International Trade, consisting of 16 citizens of the State who have expertise in fields relating to international trade. The members, who would be appointed by the Governor, would serve for three-year terms. The Governor would appoint the chairman from among the commission membership. The Commissioners of Commerce and Economic Development and Labor and the Director of the Division of International Trade would be *ex officio* members of the commission.

Among the commission's duties would be conducting an annual review and assessment of the program objectives and strategies of the Division of International Trade, monitoring the trade-related activities of state, bi-state and federal agencies to ensure that they are consistent with the programs and policies established by the Division of Inter-

national Trade, promoting international trade within the state's businesses and labor communities as well as with the public, serving as host to foreign delegations which visit the state, and advising the Governor and other state officials with respect to the state's participation in foreign trade.

SENATE LABOR, INDUSTRY AND PROFESSIONS
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 1778

with Senate committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: SEPTEMBER 13, 1984

This bill is part of a legislative package which is aimed at increasing the export of goods by New Jersey businesses. This bill augments the existing statutory functions of the Division of International Trade in the Department of Commerce and Economic Development. The bill would require the division to conduct research and analysis of international markets and international business practices, as well as research into methods of stimulating reinvestment in New Jersey. The division would also be required to establish a data center which provides information on commercial opportunities in international trade, resources for technical and financial trade assistance, and information on employment opportunities in international business. The bill further requires the division to represent or assist in representing the interests of New Jersey based firms in foreign market transactions through regularly scheduled trade delegations, missions and seminars. The division would be charged with providing New Jersey-based firms with customized technical and other necessary assistance in international trade and with utilizing sufficient funds for international travel by members of the division staff in order to promote New Jersey exports and to publicize New Jersey as a location from which to engage in export trade. Finally, the division would be required to recruit foreign capital investment in New Jersey.

The bill also establishes a permanent Governor's Commission on International Trade, consisting of 15 citizens of the State who have expertise in fields relating to international trade. The members, who would be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate, would serve for three-year terms. The Governor would appoint the chairman from among the commission membership. The Commissioners of Commerce and Economic Development and Labor and the Director of the Division of International Trade would be ex officio members of the commission.

Among the commission's duties would be conducting an annual review and assessment of the program objectives and strategies of the

Division of International Trade, monitoring the trade-related activities of State, bi-State and federal agencies to ensure that they are consistent with the programs and policies established by the Division of International Trade, promoting international trade within the State's businesses and labor communities as well as with the public, serving as host to foreign delegations which visit the State, and advising the Governor and other State officials with respect to the State's participation in foreign trade.

The appropriation section of the bill was deleted by the committee because the \$500,000.00 has already been appropriated.

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Senate Amendments
(Proposed by Senator Russo)

to

Senate Bill No. 1778(OCR)
(Sponsored by Senator Brown)

Amend:

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| 2 | 3 | 2 | After "State" insert ", five of whom shall be" |
| 2 | 3 | 4 | After "Senate" insert ", five of whom shall be appointed by the Governor upon the recommendation of the President of the Senate and five of whom shall be appointed by the Governor upon the recommendation of the Speaker of the General Assembly," |

STATEMENT

These amendments provide that the citizen members of the Governor's Commission on International Trade will all be appointed by the Governor and that five of them will be appointed with the advice and consent of the Senate, five upon the recommendation of the President of the Senate and five upon the recommendation of the Speaker of the General Assembly.

ADOPTED

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Amendments drafted to
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Senate amendments adopted

Amend: 11/29/84

Senate Amendments
Proposed by Senator Brown
to

Senate Bill No. 1778 (OCR) (Sa)

Sponsored by Senator Brown

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- Omit "." insert ";"
- Omit "15" insert "16"
- Omit "five" insert "eight"
- Omit "with the advice and consent of the Senate"
- Omit "five" insert "four"
- Omit "five" insert "four"
- Omit "five" insert "six"
- Omit "council" insert "commission"
- Omit "with the advice and consent of the Senate,"

STATEMENT

These amendments will increase the membership of the Governor's Commission on International Trade from 15 to 16 members. The amendments will also require the Governor to appoint ^{four} ~~4~~ of the members upon the recommendation of the Senate President, and ^{four} ~~4~~ members upon the recommendation of the Speaker of General Assembly. The remaining ^{eight} ~~8~~ members of the Commission would be appointed directly by the Governor.

The amendments also correct two technical ~~bill~~ ~~drafting~~ errors.

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