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NJSA: 12:11A-5 (Adds four members to South Jersey Port Corporation)

BILL NO: A2861 (Substituted for S1679)

SPONSOR(S) Burzichelli and Others

DATE INTRODUCED: March 16, 2006

COMMITTEE: ASSEMBLY: Transportation and Public Works

SENATE:

AMENDED DURING PASSAGE: Yes

DATE OF PASSAGE: ASSEMBLY: January 7, 2008

SENATE: January 7, 2008

DATE OF APPROVAL: January 13, 2008

FOLLOWING ARE ATTACHED IF AVAILABLE:

FINAL TEXT OF BILL (Second reprint enacted)

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SPONSOR'S STATEMENT: (Begins on page 4 of original bill)

Yes

COMMITTEE STATEMENT: ASSEMBLY: Yes

SENATE: No

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FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENT: Yes 3-15-07

1-3-08

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL NOTE: No

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SPONSOR'S STATEMENT: (Begins on page 4 of original bill)

Yes

COMMITTEE STATEMENT: ASSEMBLY: No

SENATE: Yes

FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENT: Yes

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE: No

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P.L. 2007, CHAPTER 320, approved January 13, 2008 Assembly, No. 2861 (Second Reprint)

1 **AN ACT** concerning the South Jersey Port Corporation and amending P.L.1968, c.60.

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

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- 7 1. Section 5 of P.L.1968, c. 60 (C.12:11A-5) is amended to read as follows:
- 5. a. There is hereby established in the ²[State Department of 9 Environmental Protection Department of the Treasury a body 10 corporate and politic, with corporate succession, to be known as the 11 "South Jersey Port Corporation." The corporation is hereby 12 constituted an instrumentality exercising public and essential 13 14 governmental functions, and the exercise by the corporation of the powers conferred by this act in the establishment, acquisition, 15 16 construction, rehabilitation, improvement, operation 17 maintenance of marine terminals shall be deemed and held to be an 18 essential governmental function of the State.
 - b. The corporation shall consist of [seven] '[nine] the State Treasurer, ex officio, or the Treasurer's designated representative, who shall be a voting member of the corporation, and 10 public members, each of whom shall be a resident of the port district, who shall have been a qualified elector therein for a period of at least 3 years next preceding his appointment. For the purpose of representation on the corporation the port district shall be divided into subdistricts with representation as follows:
 - (1) The counties of Cape May, Cumberland and Salem shall constitute one subdistrict and shall be represented by '[one member] two public members' on the corporation who shall be appointed from '[one of]' these counties.
- 31 (2) The counties of Camden and Gloucester shall constitute one 32 subdistrict and shall be represented by [three] five 'public' members on the corporation [at] . At least [two] three of [whom] 33 34 the 'public' members representing the subdistrict designated under this paragraph shall be appointed from Camden [county] County. 35 36 and at least one of these 'public' members appointed from Camden County shall be appointed from the City of Camden. At least one 37 of the 'public' members of such subdistrict shall be appointed from 38 the Borough of Paulsboro. ¹[The members appointed from the City] 39 of Camden and the Borough of Paulsboro shall be nominated for 40 41 such appointment by the corporation.]1
- EXPLANATION Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹Assembly floor amendments adopted March 15, 2007.

²Senate floor amendments adopted January 3, 2008.

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(3) The counties of Burlington and Mercer shall constitute one subdistrict and shall be represented by three 'public' members on the corporation at least one of whom shall be appointed from each county within this subdistrict.

No more than [four] '[five] six' members shall be of the same 5 political party. Each 'public' member of the corporation shall be 6 appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the 7 Senate, ²except for the member or members appointed from the City 8 9 of Camden who shall be appointed by the Governor upon 10 recommendation of the President of the Senate, and the member or 11 members appointed from the Borough of Paulsboro who shall be 12 appointed by the Governor upon recommendation of the Speaker of the General Assembly. Each public member shall be appointed² for 13 a term of 5 years and shall serve until his successor is appointed and 14 15 has qualified; except that of the first appointments hereunder, three 16 shall be for a term of 2 years, two for a term of 3 years, and two for 17 a term of 4 years, and they shall serve until their respective 18 successors are appointed and have qualified. The term of each of 19 the first appointees hereunder shall be designated by the Governor. 20 Each 'public' member of the corporation may be removed from 21 office by the Governor or by the Legislature, for cause, after a public hearing. Each member of the corporation before entering 22 23 upon his duties shall take and subscribe an oath to perform the 24 duties of his office faithfully, impartially and justly to the best of 25 his ability. A record of such oaths shall be filed in the office of the 26 Secretary of State.

- c. Any vacancies in the 'appointed' membership of the corporation occurring other than by expiration of term shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment, but for the unexpired term only.
- 31 d. The Governor shall designate one of the members of the 32 corporation as chairman thereof and another member as vice-33 chairman thereof. The chairman and vice-chairman of the 34 corporation so designated shall serve as such at the pleasure of the 35 Governor and until their respective successors have been 36 designated. The corporation shall elect a secretary and a treasurer 37 who need not be members. At the option of the corporation the same person may be elected to serve both as secretary and treasurer. 38 ¹[Four] Six ¹ members of the corporation shall constitute a quorum 39 and the vote of '[four] six' members shall be necessary for any 40 action taken by the corporation. No vacancy in the membership of 41 42 the corporation shall impair the right of a quorum to exercise all the 43 rights and perform all the duties of the corporation. 44
 - e. Before the issuance of any bonds or notes under the provisions of this act, each member of the corporation shall execute a surety bond in the penal sum of \$25,000.00, and the treasurer shall execute a surety bond in the penal sum of \$50,000.00, each such surety bond to be conditioned upon the faithful performance of

the duties of the office of such member or treasurer, as the case may be, to be executed by a surety company authorized to transact business in the State of New Jersey as surety and to be approved by the Attorney General and filed in the office of the Secretary of State.

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- f. The members of the corporation shall not receive compensation for their services as members of the corporation. Each member shall be reimbursed by the corporation for his actual expenses necessarily incurred in the performance of his duties.
- 10 g. No resolution or other action of the corporation providing for 11 the issuance of bonds, refunding bonds or other obligations or for 12 the fixing, revising or adjusting of tolls for the use of any 13 corporation project or parts thereof shall be adopted or otherwise 14 made effective by the corporation without the prior approval in 15 writing of the Governor and at least one of the following: the State Treasurer and the [Comptroller of the Treasury] <u>Director of the</u> 16 17 Division of Budget and Accounting in the Department of the 18 <u>Treasury</u>¹. A true copy of the minutes of every meeting of the 19 corporation shall be forthwith delivered by and under the certification of the secretary thereof, to the Governor. No action 20 21 taken at such meeting by the corporation shall have force or effect 22 until 10 days, exclusive of Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays, 23 after such copy of the minutes shall have been so delivered. If, in 24 said 10-day period, the Governor returns such copy of the minutes 25 with veto of any action taken by the corporation or any member 26 thereof at such meeting, such action shall be null and of no effect. 27 The Governor may approve all or part of the action taken at such 28 meeting prior to said 10-day period. The powers conferred in this 29 paragraph g. upon the Governor, the State Treasurer and the 30 ¹[Comptroller of the Treasury] <u>Director of the Division of Budget</u> 31 and Accounting shall be exercised with due regard for the rights of 32 the holders of bonds of the corporation at any time outstanding, and 33 nothing in, or done pursuant to, this paragraph g. shall in any way 34 limit, restrict or alter the obligation or powers of the corporation or 35 any representative or officer of the '[authority] corporation' to carry out and perform in every detail each and every covenant, 36 37 agreement or contract at any time made or entered into by or on 38 behalf of the corporation with respect to its bonds for the benefit, 39 protection or security of the holders thereof.
 - (cf: P.L.1972, c. 191, s.1)

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Adds four members to South Jersey Port Corporation.

ASSEMBLY, No. 2861

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

212th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED MARCH 16, 2006

Sponsored by:

Assemblyman JOHN J. BURZICHELLI District 3 (Salem, Cumberland and Gloucester)

SYNOPSIS

Adds two members to South Jersey Port Corporation.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



AN ACT concerning the South Jersey Port Corporation and amending P.L.1968, c.60.

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

- 1. Section 5 of P.L.1968, c. 60 (C.12:11A-5) is amended to read as follows:
- 5. a. There is hereby established in the State Department of Environmental Protection a body corporate and politic, with corporate succession, to be known as the "South Jersey Port constituted an Corporation." The corporation is hereby instrumentality exercising public and essential governmental functions, and the exercise by the corporation of the powers conferred by this act in the establishment, acquisition, construction, rehabilitation, improvement, operation and maintenance of marine terminals shall be deemed and held to be an essential governmental function of the State.
 - b. The corporation shall consist of [seven] nine members, each of whom shall be a resident of the port district, who shall have been a qualified elector therein for a period of at least 3 years next preceding his appointment. For the purpose of representation on the corporation the port district shall be divided into subdistricts with representation as follows:
 - (1) The counties of Cape May, Cumberland and Salem shall constitute one subdistrict and shall be represented by one member on the corporation who shall be appointed from one of these counties.
 - (2) The counties of Camden and Gloucester shall constitute one subdistrict and shall be represented by [three] five members on the corporation [at]. At least [two] three of [whom] the members representing the subdistrict designated under this paragraph shall be appointed from Camden [county] County, and at least one of these members appointed from Camden County shall be appointed from the City of Camden. At least one of the members of such subdistrict shall be appointed from the Borough of Paulsboro. The members appointed from the City of Camden and the Borough of Paulsboro shall be nominated for such appointment by the corporation.
 - (3) The counties of Burlington and Mercer shall constitute one subdistrict and shall be represented by three members on the corporation at least one of whom shall be appointed from each county within this subdistrict.
- No more than [four] five members shall be of the same political

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party. Each member of the corporation shall be appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate, for a term of 5 years and shall serve until his successor is appointed and has qualified; except that of the first appointments hereunder, three shall be for a term of 2 years, two for a term of 3 years, and two for a term of 4 years, and they shall serve until their respective successors are appointed and have qualified. The term of each of the first appointees hereunder shall be designated by the Governor. Each member of the corporation may be removed from office by the Governor or by the Legislature, for cause, after a public hearing. Each member of the corporation before entering upon his duties shall take and subscribe an oath to perform the duties of his office faithfully, impartially and justly to the best of his ability. A record of such oaths shall be filed in the office of the Secretary of State.

c. Any vacancies in the membership of the corporation occurring other than by expiration of term shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment, but for the unexpired term only.

- d. The Governor shall designate one of the members of the corporation as chairman thereof and another member as vice-chairman thereof. The chairman and vice-chairman of the corporation so designated shall serve as such at the pleasure of the Governor and until their respective successors have been designated. The corporation shall elect a secretary and a treasurer who need not be members. At the option of the corporation the same person may be elected to serve both as secretary and treasurer. Four members of the corporation shall constitute a quorum and the vote of four members shall be necessary for any action taken by the corporation. No vacancy in the membership of the corporation shall impair the right of a quorum to exercise all the rights and perform all the duties of the corporation.
- e. Before the issuance of any bonds or notes under the provisions of this act, each member of the corporation shall execute a surety bond in the penal sum of \$25,000.00, and the treasurer shall execute a surety bond in the penal sum of \$50,000.00, each such surety bond to be conditioned upon the faithful performance of the duties of the office of such member or treasurer, as the case may be, to be executed by a surety company authorized to transact business in the State of New Jersey as surety and to be approved by the Attorney General and filed in the office of the Secretary of State.
- f. The members of the corporation shall not receive compensation for their services as members of the corporation. Each member shall be reimbursed by the corporation for his actual expenses necessarily incurred in the performance of his duties.
- g. No resolution or other action of the corporation providing for the issuance of bonds, refunding bonds or other obligations or for the fixing, revising or adjusting of tolls for the use of any

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1 corporation project or parts thereof shall be adopted or otherwise 2 made effective by the corporation without the prior approval in 3 writing of the Governor and at least one of the following: the State 4 Treasurer and the Comptroller of the Treasury. A true copy of the 5 minutes of every meeting of the corporation shall be forthwith delivered by and under the certification of the secretary thereof, to 6 7 the Governor. No action taken at such meeting by the corporation 8 shall have force or effect until 10 days, exclusive of Saturdays, 9 Sundays and public holidays, after such copy of the minutes shall 10 have been so delivered. If, in said 10-day period, the Governor 11 returns such copy of the minutes with veto of any action taken by 12 the corporation or any member thereof at such meeting, such action 13 shall be null and of no effect. The Governor may approve all or 14 part of the action taken at such meeting prior to said 10-day period. 15 The powers conferred in this paragraph g. upon the Governor, the 16 State Treasurer and the Comptroller of the Treasury shall be 17 exercised with due regard for the rights of the holders of bonds of 18 the corporation at any time outstanding, and nothing in, or done 19 pursuant to, this paragraph g. shall in any way limit, restrict or alter 20 the obligation or powers of the corporation or any representative or 21 officer of the authority to carry out and perform in every detail each 22 and every covenant, agreement or contract at any time made or 23 entered into by or on behalf of the corporation with respect to its 24 bonds for the benefit, protection or security of the holders thereof. 25 (cf: P.L.1972, c. 191, s.1)

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2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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This bill would allow the Governor to appoint to the South Jersey Port Corporation two additional members upon the recommendation of the corporation's current members. One of these members shall represent the City of Camden and the other shall represent the Borough of Paulsboro.

ASSEMBLY TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 2861

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JANUARY 22, 2007

The Assembly Transportation and Public Works Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 2861.

As reported, this bill would allow the Governor to appoint to the South Jersey Port Corporation two additional members upon the recommendation of the corporation's current members. One of these members shall represent the City of Camden and the other shall represent the Borough of Paulsboro.

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 2861

with Assembly Floor Amendments (Proposed By Assemblyman BURZICHELLI)

ADOPTED: MARCH 15, 2007

These amendments allow the Governor to appoint to the South Jersey Port Corporation one additional member to represent the subdistrict within the port district comprised of Cape May, Cumberland, and Salem counties. In addition, the State Treasurer, ex officio, is designated a voting member of the corporation. These amendments also remove from the bill's provisions the requirement that the members appointed from the City of Camden and the Borough of Paulsboro to represent the subdistrict within the port district comprised of Camden and Gloucester counties are to be nominated for appointment by the corporation. Finally, the amendments make technical corrections to the bill's provisions.

STATEMENT TO

[First Reprint] **ASSEMBLY, No. 2861**

with Senate Floor Amendments (Proposed By Senator SWEENEY)

ADOPTED: JANUARY 3, 2008

This amendment provides that the public members to be appointed to the South Jersey Port Corporation from the City of Camden and from the Borough of Paulsboro are to be appointed by the Governor upon recommendation of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the General Assembly respectively. The amendments reflect the current allocation of the corporation to the Department of the Treasury.

In addition, the amendments amend the effective date section of the bill to provide that the provisions of the bill shall not affect the members of the corporation in office on the effective date of the act.

With these amendments, this bill is identical to S1679(1R) with Senate amendments.

SENATE, No. 1679

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

212th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED MARCH 20, 2006

Sponsored by: Senator STEPHEN M. SWEENEY District 3 (Salem, Cumberland and Gloucester)

SYNOPSIS

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 - b. The corporation shall consist of [seven] <u>nine</u> members, each of whom shall be a resident of the port district, who shall have been a qualified elector therein for a period of at least 3 years next preceding his appointment. For the purpose of representation on the corporation the port district shall be divided into subdistricts with representation as follows:
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 - (3) The counties of Burlington and Mercer shall constitute one subdistrict and shall be represented by three members on the corporation at least one of whom shall be appointed from each county within this subdistrict.
- No more than [four] <u>five</u> members shall be of the same political party. Each member of the corporation shall be appointed by the

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- Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate, for a term of 5 years and shall serve until his successor is appointed and has qualified; except that of the first appointments hereunder, three shall be for a term of 2 years, two for a term of 3 years, and two for a term of 4 years, and they shall serve until their respective successors are appointed and have qualified. The term of each of the first appointees hereunder shall be designated by the Governor. Each member of the corporation may be removed from office by the Governor or by the Legislature, for cause, after a public hearing. Each member of the corporation before entering upon his duties shall take and subscribe an oath to perform the duties of his office faithfully, impartially and justly to the best of his ability. A record of such oaths shall be filed in the office of the Secretary of State.
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- d. The Governor shall designate one of the members of the corporation as chairman thereof and another member as vice-chairman thereof. The chairman and vice-chairman of the corporation so designated shall serve as such at the pleasure of the Governor and until their respective successors have been designated. The corporation shall elect a secretary and a treasurer who need not be members. At the option of the corporation the same person may be elected to serve both as secretary and treasurer. Four members of the corporation shall constitute a quorum and the vote of four members shall be necessary for any action taken by the corporation. No vacancy in the membership of the corporation shall impair the right of a quorum to exercise all the rights and perform all the duties of the corporation.
 - e. Before the issuance of any bonds or notes under the provisions of this act, each member of the corporation shall execute a surety bond in the penal sum of \$25,000.00, and the treasurer shall execute a surety bond in the penal sum of \$50,000.00, each such surety bond to be conditioned upon the faithful performance of the duties of the office of such member or treasurer, as the case may be, to be executed by a surety company authorized to transact business in the State of New Jersey as surety and to be approved by the Attorney General and filed in the office of the Secretary of State.
 - f. The members of the corporation shall not receive compensation for their services as members of the corporation. Each member shall be reimbursed by the corporation for his actual expenses necessarily incurred in the performance of his duties.
 - g. No resolution or other action of the corporation providing for the issuance of bonds, refunding bonds or other obligations or for the fixing, revising or adjusting of tolls for the use of any corporation project or parts thereof shall be adopted or otherwise

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1 made effective by the corporation without the prior approval in 2 writing of the Governor and at least one of the following: the State 3 Treasurer and the Comptroller of the Treasury. A true copy of the 4 minutes of every meeting of the corporation shall be forthwith 5 delivered by and under the certification of the secretary thereof, to 6 the Governor. No action taken at such meeting by the corporation 7 shall have force or effect until 10 days, exclusive of Saturdays, 8 Sundays and public holidays, after such copy of the minutes shall 9 have been so delivered. If, in said 10-day period, the Governor 10 returns such copy of the minutes with veto of any action taken by 11 the corporation or any member thereof at such meeting, such action 12 shall be null and of no effect. The Governor may approve all or part of the action taken at such meeting prior to said 10-day period. 13 14 The powers conferred in this paragraph g. upon the Governor, the 15 State Treasurer and the Comptroller of the Treasury shall be 16 exercised with due regard for the rights of the holders of bonds of 17 the corporation at any time outstanding, and nothing in, or done 18 pursuant to, this paragraph g. shall in any way limit, restrict or alter 19 the obligation or powers of the corporation or any representative or 20 officer of the authority to carry out and perform in every detail each 21 and every covenant, agreement or contract at any time made or entered into by or on behalf of the corporation with respect to its 22 23 bonds for the benefit, protection or security of the holders thereof. 24 (cf: P.L.1972, c. 191, s.1)

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2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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This bill would allow the Governor to appoint to the South Jersey Port Corporation two additional members upon the recommendation of the corporation's current members. One of these members shall represent the City of Camden and the other shall represent the Borough of Paulsboro.

SENATE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 1679

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MAY 24, 2007

The Senate Transportation Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 1679 with committee amendments.

This amended bill increases the membership of the South Jersey Port Corporation from seven to 11 members. The State Treasurer, ex officio, is designated an additional voting member of the corporation. One of the additional members is to represent the subdistrict composed of Cape May, Cumberland, and Salem counties. Two additional members are to represent the Camden and Gloucester County subdistrict, in addition to the three members currently authorized. Of the five members representing that subdistrict, at least three shall be appointed from Camden County, at least one of whom shall be appointed from the City of Camden. At least one of the members of that subdistrict shall be appointed from the Borough of Paulsboro.

The committee amended the bill to increase the membership of the South Jersey Port Corporation from the nine authorized in the bill to 11 members. The State Treasurer, ex officio, is designated a voting member of the corporation. An additional public member is to be appointed by the Governor to represent the subdistrict within the port district comprised of Cape May, Cumberland, and Salem Counties. The amendments also remove from the bill's provisions the requirement that the members appointed from the City of Camden and the Borough of Paulsboro to represent the subdistrict within the port district comprised of Camden and Gloucester counties are to be nominated for appointment by the corporation. The amendments provide that the bill will not affect the members of the corporation in office on the effective date of the bill becoming law. Finally, the amendments make technical corrections to the bill's provisions.

STATEMENT TO

[First Reprint] **SENATE, No. 1679**

with Senate Floor Amendments (Proposed By Senator SWEENEY)

ADOPTED: JANUARY 3, 2008

This amendment provides that the public members to be appointed to the South Jersey Port Corporation from the City of Camden and from the Borough of Paulsboro are to be appointed by the Governor upon recommendation of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the General Assembly respectively.

With these amendments, this bill is identical to A2861(1R) with Senate amendments.