

2022 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 68

BY SENATOR FRED MILLS

PORTS/HARBORS/TERMINALS. Provides relative to the Port of Iberia. (8/1/22)

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 51:61, 64, and 65, relative to foreign trade zones; to provide relative to the Port of Iberia; to provide authorization for the port commission to make application to be designated as a foreign trade zone; and to provide for related matters.

Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 51:61, 64, and 65 are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§61. Definitions

Whenever used in this Part, "board" refers to the New Orleans Aviation Board, the Board of Commissioners of the Lake Charles Harbor and Terminal District, the South Louisiana Port Commission, the South Tangipahoa Parish Port Commission, the Greater Baton Rouge Port Commission, the Caddo-Bossier Port Commission, the Vidalia Port Commission, the Board of Commissioners of the England Economic and Industrial Development District, the Board of Commissioners of the Port of New Orleans, ~~and~~ the Plaquemines Port, Harbor and

1 Terminal District, **and the Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners**, and  
 2 in addition, any port commission or port, harbor, and terminal district, the New  
 3 Orleans Regional Business Park, and any airport with an industrial park or property  
 4 designated for industrial development.

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6 §64. Buildings or enclosures

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

20 §65. Extent of authority of commissioners

21 The authority granted in this Part to the board confers on the board the right  
 22 to do all things necessary and proper to carry into effect the establishing,  
 23 maintaining, and operating of foreign trade zones in the New Orleans International  
 24 Airport, the South Louisiana Port Commission, the Lake Charles Harbor and  
 25 Terminal District, the Port of New Orleans, the South Tangipahoa Parish Port  
 26 Commission, the Caddo-Bossier Port Commission, the Vidalia Port Commission, the  
 27 England Economic and Industrial Development District, or the Greater Baton Rouge  
 28 Port Commission, the Plaquemines Port, Harbor and Terminal District, **and the Port**  
 29 **of Iberia District Board of Commissioners**, or any port commission or port,

1 harbor, and terminal district, the New Orleans Regional Business Park, and any  
2 airport with an industrial park or property designated for industrial development, and  
3 to comply fully with the provisions of 19 U.S.C. §81a et seq. and all regulations that  
4 may be made under it. Further, a board which that does not have federally authorized  
5 foreign trade zone status may enter into agreement with another board which that has  
6 federally granted foreign trade zone authority to establish, maintain, or operate a  
7 subzone or subzones within the jurisdiction of the board, provided that the agreement  
8 shall not limit or affect the powers and authority of either board.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part  
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Archana D. Cadge.

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DIGEST

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

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

Proposed law retains present law and adds the Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners.

Effective August 1, 2022.

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