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Introduced by Sen. RANZENHOFER -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Corporations, Authorities and Commissions

AN ACT to amend the waterfront commission act, in relation to cargo facility charges by the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey

<The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assem-

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<bly, do enact as follows:>

1- 1 Section 1. Section 1 of chapter 882 of the laws of 1953, constituting
1- 2 the waterfront commission act is amended by adding a new article VII-A
1- 3 to read as follows:

1- 4 <ARTICLE VII-A>
1- 5 <CARGO FACILITY CHARGES>

1- 6 <1. As used in this article:>

1- 7 <(a) "Bill of lading" means a document evidencing the receipt of goods>
1- 8 <for shipment issued by a person engaged in the business of transporting>
1- 9 <or forwarding goods.>

1-10 <(b) "Cargo facility charge" means any fee applicable to cargo and>
1-11 <cargo containers discharged from, or loaded onto, vessels at any marine>
1-12 <facility owned or operated by the port authority.>

1-13 <(c) "Carrier" means a carrier as that term is defined in 49 U.S.C. s.>
1-14 <13102.>

1-15 <(d) "Container" means any receptacle, box, carton, or crate which is>
1-16 <specifically designed and constructed so that it may be repeatedly used>
1-17 <for the carriage of freight by an ocean common carrier.>

1-18 <(e) "Marine terminal operator" means any person, corporation, partner->
1-19 <ship, or any business organization which shall operate and maintain any>
1-20 <of the marine terminals established, acquired, constructed, rehabili->
1-21 <tated, or improved by the port authority by means of and through leasing>

EXPLANATION--Matter in <italics> (underscored) is new; matter in

brackets

[] is old law to be omitted.

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2- 1 <agreements entered into by any such person, corporation, partnership, or>
2- 2 <any business organization with the port authority.>

2- 3 <(f) "Ocean common carrier" means an ocean common carrier as that term>
2- 4 <is defined in 46 U.S.C. s.40102.>

2- 5 <(g) "Rail carrier" means a rail carrier as that term is defined in 49>
2- 6 <U.S.C. s. 10102.>

2- 7 <(h) "Tariff" means a marine terminal operator schedule as that term is>
2- 8 <defined in 46 C.F.R. 525.2.>

2- 9 <(i) "User" means:>

2-10 <(1) any person, company, or other entity that is named as the shipper>
2-11 <or consignee on the ocean common carrier bill of lading issued for>
2-12 <export or import cargo, or any person owning or entitled to the>
2-13 <possession, or having a past or future interest in, the export or import>
2-14 <cargo;>

2-15 <(2) in the case of negotiable bills of lading, any other person,>
2-16 <company, or other entity that is a bona fide holder of the bill of>

2-17 <lading or who is entitled to receive delivery of export cargo or import>
2-18 <cargo; or>
2-19 <(3) any other bailor of export or import cargo.>
2-20 <2. Notwithstanding any law, rule, regulation, or existing tariff to>
2-21 <the contrary, the port authority shall not assess a user, ocean common>
2-22 <carrier, marine terminal operator, carrier, or rail carrier a cargo>
2-23 <facility charge on import and export cargo leaving any marine facility>
2-24 <owned or operated by the port authority, except that the port authority>
2-25 <may assess a user, ocean common carrier, marine terminal operator,>
2-26 <carrier, or rail carrier a cargo facility charge upon written mutual>
2-27 <agreement between the user, ocean common carrier, marine terminal opera->
2-28 <tor, carrier, or rail carrier and the port authority.>
2-29 § 2. This act shall take effect upon the enactment into law by the
2-30 state of New Jersey of legislation having an identical effect with this
2-31 act, but if the state of New Jersey shall have already enacted such
2-32 legislation, then it shall take effect immediately; and provided that
2-33 the waterfront commission shall notify the legislative bill drafting
2-34 commission upon the occurrence of the enactment of the legislation
2-35 provided for in section one of this act in order that the commission may
2-36 maintain an accurate and timely effective data base of the official text
2-37 of laws of the state of New York in furtherance of effectuating the
2-38 provisions of section 44 of the legislative law and section 70-b of the
2-39 public officers law.