

1 AN ACT in relation to foreign trade zones.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,  
3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Foreign Trade Zones Act is amended by  
5 changing Section 1 as follows:

6 (50 ILCS 40/1) (from Ch. 24, par. 1361)

7 Sec. 1. Each of the following units of local government  
8 and public or private corporations shall have the power to  
9 apply to proper authorities of the United States of America  
10 pursuant to appropriate law for the right to establish,  
11 operate, maintain and lease foreign trade zones and sub-zones  
12 within its corporate limits or within limits established  
13 pursuant to agreement with proper authorities of the United  
14 States of America, as the case may be, and to establish,  
15 operate, maintain and lease such foreign trade zones and  
16 sub-zones:

17 (a) The City of East St. Louis.

18 (b) The Bi-State Authority, Lawrenceville - Vincennes  
19 Airport.

20 (c) The Waukegan Port district.

21 (d) The Illinois Valley Regional Port District.

22 (e) The Economic Development Council, Inc. located in  
23 the area of the United States Customs Port of Entry for  
24 Peoria, pursuant to authorization granted by the county  
25 boards in the geographic area served by the proposed foreign  
26 trade zone.

27 (f) The Greater Rockford Airport Authority.

28 (g) After the effective date of this amendatory Act of  
29 1984, any county, city, village or town within the State or a  
30 public or private corporation authorized or licensed to do  
31 business in the State or any combination thereof may apply to

1 the Foreign Trade Zones Board, United States Department of  
2 Commerce, for the right to establish, operate and maintain a  
3 foreign trade zone and sub-zones. For the purposes of this  
4 Section, such foreign trade zone or sub-zones may be  
5 incorporated outside the corporate boundaries or be made up  
6 of areas from adjoining counties or states.

7 (h) No foreign trade zone may be established within 50  
8 miles of an existing zone situated in a county with 3,000,000  
9 or more inhabitants or within 35 miles of an existing zone  
10 situated in a county with less than 3,000,000 inhabitants,  
11 such zones having been created pursuant to this Act without  
12 the permission of the authorities which established the  
13 existing zone. However, nothing in this subsection (h) shall  
14 be construed to prohibit or prevent the establishment of more  
15 than one foreign trade zone in an area consisting of 2  
16 adjacent counties each having a population of more than  
17 200,000 inhabitants and each having the Mississippi River as  
18 part of its boundary, and these foreign trade zones may be  
19 established regardless of their distance from other zones and  
20 regardless of whether the authorities which established  
21 existing zones have given their permission to the creation of  
22 additional zones.

23 (Source: P.A. 85-471.)