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1 AN ACT in relation to foreign trade zones.

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

- Section 5. The Foreign Trade Zones Act is amended by 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 and 8 public or private corporations shall have the power to apply to proper authorities of the United States of America pursuant to 9 appropriate law for the right to establish, operate, maintain 10 and lease foreign trade zones and sub-zones within its 11 corporate limits or within limits established pursuant to 12 agreement with proper authorities of the United States of 13 14 America, as the case may be, and to establish, operate, 15 maintain and lease such foreign trade zones and sub-zones:
 - (a) The City of East St. Louis.
- 17 (b) The Bi-State Authority, Lawrenceville Vincennes
 18 Airport.
- 19 (c) The Waukegan Port district.
- 20 (d) The Illinois Valley Regional Port District.
- (e) The Economic Development Council, Inc. located in the area of the United States Customs Port of Entry for Peoria, pursuant to authorization granted by the county boards in the geographic area served by the proposed foreign trade zone.
- 25 (f) The Greater Rockford Airport Authority.
- 26 (g) After the effective date of this amendatory Act of
 27 1984, any county, city, village or town within the State or a
 28 public or private corporation authorized or licensed to do
 29 business in the State or any combination thereof may apply to
 30 the Foreign Trade Zones Board, United States Department of
 31 Commerce, for the right to establish, operate and maintain a
 32 foreign trade zone and sub-zones. For the purposes of this

Section, such foreign trade zone or sub-zones may be incorporated outside the corporate boundaries or be made up of areas from adjoining counties or states.

(h) No foreign trade zone may be established within 50 miles of an existing zone situated in a county with 3,000,000 or more inhabitants or within 35 miles of an existing zone situated in a county with less than 3,000,000 inhabitants, such zones having been created pursuant to this Act without the permission of the authorities which established the existing zone. Nothing in this subsection (h), however, shall be construed to prohibit or prevent the establishment of more than one foreign trade zone in an area consisting of 2 adjacent counties, each having a population of more than 200,000 inhabitants and each having the Mississippi River as part of its boundary, and these foreign trade zones may be established regardless of their distance from other zones and regardless of whether the authorities that established existing zones have given their permission to the creation of additional zones.

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