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Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.

Reference to the Committee on Housing and Economic Development suggested and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Speaker MARTIN of Eagle Lake.

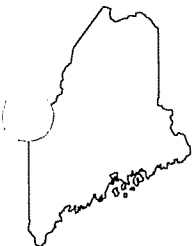
Cosponsored by Representative McHENRY of Madawaska, Representative PARADIS of Frenchville and Senator THERIAULT of Aroostook.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY

An Act Regarding Foreign Trade Zones.

(AFTER DEADLINE)



Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

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3 5 MRSA §13062, sub-§1, ¶D, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 534, Pt.
4 A, §§17 and 19, is amended to read:

6 D. Application for foreign trade zones shall be according
7 to this paragraph.

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9 (1) The director, with the approval of the
10 commissioner, on behalf of the State, may make
11 applications to the Foreign Trade Zone Board and
12 establish foreign trade zones that are to be located on
13 state-owned, leased or otherwise controlled property.
14 A municipality or a group of municipalities or a public
15 or private corporation may, with the approval of the
16 department, make applications to the Foreign Trade Zone
17 Board and establish foreign trade zones at other
18 locations. Foreign trade zones shall be established in
19 or adjacent to any ports of entry in the State, where
20 personal property in transit shall be exempt from the
21 stock-in-trade tax and such other taxes and customs as
22 are normally levied in a port of entry.

24 (2) Any development or activity with a foreign trade
25 zone established in the State is subject to the laws
26 which the Department of Environmental Protection,
27 Department of Conservation, Department of Marine
28 Resources and Department of Inland Fisheries and
29 Wildlife are responsible for administering, as well as
30 any other law which protects the environment.

32 (3) For the purpose of this subsection, "personal
33 property in transit" through the areas established
34 under this paragraph means goods, wares and
35 merchandise either moving in interstate or
36 international commerce through these zones or consigned
37 to a warehouse, public or private, within these zones,
38 whether specified when transportation begins or
39 afterward. This property shall not be deprived of
40 exemption because, while in the warehouse, the property
41 is assembled, bound, joined, processed, disassembled,
42 divided, cut, broken in bulk, relabeled or repackaged.
43 The exemption granted shall be liberally construed to
44 effect the purposes of this subsection. The warehouse
45 in which these goods, wares or merchandise are stored
46 shall not be owned, in whole or in part, by either the
47 consignee or consignor. This paragraph does not apply
48 to agricultural products.

STATEMENT OF FACT

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Under this bill, a private or public corporation may apply for foreign trade zone status in the same manner as a municipality or group of municipalities may apply.

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