

Mid-America Port Commission Agreement Act.

(45 ILCS 165/1)

Sec. 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the Mid-America Port Commission Agreement Act.

(Source: P.A. 91-566, eff. 8-14-99.)

(45 ILCS 165/5)

Sec. 5. Agreement. The State of Illinois ratifies and approves the Mid-America Port Commission Agreement and enters into that Agreement with Missouri and Iowa in substantially the following form:

AGREEMENT

This agreement shall be known as and may be cited as the "Mid-America Port Commission Agreement". This agreement allows for the states of Illinois and Iowa to join the effort of the state of Missouri for developing the Mid-America Port Commission.

PORT COMMISSION

There is created a Mid-America Port Commission to be governed by a nine-member port commission. The governors of Missouri, Illinois and Iowa shall appoint one member to the port commission in accordance with the laws of the respective state. Each state shall also be represented by two members elected through the county governance in the geographical jurisdiction of the port commission. The port commission members shall hold office for a period of six years. The port commission members shall elect a chairperson of the port commission after all the members are selected. The position of chairperson shall rotate among the Missouri, Iowa and Illinois members for two-year periods. A member of the port commission shall not serve more than two terms.

POWERS OF COMMISSION

The port commission shall have the power to acquire, purchase, install, lease, construct, own, hold, maintain, equip, use, control or operate ports, harbors, waterways, channels, wharves, piers, docks, quays, elevators, tipples, compresses, bulk loading and unloading facilities, warehouses, dry docks, marine support railways, tugboats, ships, vessels, shipyards, shipbuilding facilities, machinery and equipment, dredges or any other facilities required or incidental to the construction, outfitting, dry docking or repair of ships or vessels, or water, air, or rail terminals, or roadways or approaches thereto, or other structures or facilities necessary for the convenient use of the same in the aid of commerce, including the dredging, deepening, extending, widening, or enlarging of any ports, harbors, rivers, channels, or waterways, the damming of inland waterways, the establishment of a water basin, the acquisition and development of industrial sites, or the reclaiming of

submerged lands.
(Source: P.A. 91-566, eff. 8-14-99.)

(45 ILCS 165/10)

Sec. 10. Jurisdiction. Adams, Brown, Cass, Hancock, Pike, Schuyler, Henderson, Warren, Morgan, Mercer, and Scott Counties in Illinois and any additional counties that may be added to the Mid-America Intermodal Authority Port District are included in the jurisdiction of the Mid-America Port Commission. Any territory that is disconnected from the Mid-America Intermodal Authority Port District shall cease to be under the jurisdiction of the Mid-America Port Commission.
(Source: P.A. 91-566, eff. 8-14-99.)

(45 ILCS 165/15)

Sec. 15. Powers.

(a) Any power or powers, privileges, or authority exercised or capable of exercise by a public agency of this State may be exercised and enjoyed jointly with the Mid-America Port Commission according to the powers delegated to the commission pursuant to this Act.

(b) A public agency of this State may enter into a letter of understanding with the Commission to advance the purposes of the Commission.

(c) The Mid-America Port Commission shall exercise no control over the operation of port districts established by any other law of this State, except by voluntary agreement between the port district and the Commission.

(Source: P.A. 91-566, eff. 8-14-99.)

(45 ILCS 165/20)

Sec. 20. Appointment of commissioners; vacancy.

(a) Within 90 days after the effective date of this Act, the Governor shall appoint one commissioner to the Mid-America Port Commission created by agreement between Illinois, Missouri, and Iowa. This commissioner must be appointed from among those members of the Mid-America Intermodal Authority Port District Board that were appointed by the Governor.

(b) Within 90 days after the effective date of this Act, the Mid-America Intermodal Authority Port District Board, from its members, shall appoint 2 commissioners to the Mid-America Port Commission.

(c) Commissioners must be members of the Mid-America Intermodal Authority Port District Board. If a commissioner ceases to be a member of the Mid-America Intermodal Authority Port District Board, there shall be vacancy in the office of

commissioner.

(d) A vacancy in the office of commissioner shall be filled by appointment of the Governor, in the case of a vacancy in the office of commissioner appointed by the Governor, or by the Mid-America Intermodal Authority Port District Board, in the case of a vacancy in the office of commissioner appointed by the Mid-America Intermodal Authority Port District Board.

(Source: P.A. 91-566, eff. 8-14-99.)

(45 ILCS 165/25)

Sec. 25. Term of office. Each commissioner shall be appointed to serve a term of 6 years. At the expiration of the term of the commissioner appointed by the Governor, the Governor shall appoint a successor who shall hold office for 6 years. At the expiration of the term of a commissioner appointed by the Mid-America Intermodal Authority Port District Board, the Mid-America Intermodal Authority Port District Board shall appoint a successor who shall hold office for 6 years. Each commissioner shall hold office until his successor has been appointed.

(Source: P.A. 91-566, eff. 8-14-99.)

(45 ILCS 165/27)

Sec. 27. Commissioners; compensation. The commissioners shall serve without compensation but shall be entitled to be reimbursed for their necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

(Source: P.A. 91-566, eff. 8-14-99.)

(45 ILCS 165/30)

Sec. 30. Consent and approval of agreement by Congress. The Mid-America Port Commission has the power to apply to the Congress of the United States for its consent and approval of the agreement. In the absence of the consent of Congress and until the consent of Congress has been secured, the agreement shall be binding on the State of Illinois in all respects permitted by the law for the states of Illinois, Missouri, and Iowa without the consent of Congress to cooperate, for the purposes enumerated in and in the manner provided in the agreement.

(Source: P.A. 91-566, eff. 8-14-99.)