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UNCONSOLIDATED LAWS
PUBLIC AUTHORITIES--PORT OF NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY
CHAPTER 171. UNIFIED BRIDGES AND TUNNELS

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NYCLS Unconsol Ch 171, § 1 (2013)

§ 1. [Declaration of policy]

The state of New Jersey by appropriate legislation concurring herein, the states of New York and New Jersey hereby declare and agree that the vehicular traffic moving across the interstate waters within the port of New York district, created by the compact of April thirty, nineteen hundred twenty-one, between the said states, which said phrase "interstate waters" as used in this act shall include the portion of the Hudson river within the said port of New York district north of the New Jersey state line, constitutes a general movement of traffic which follows the most accessible and practicable routes, and that the users of each bridge or tunnel over or under the said waters benefit by the existence of every other bridge or tunnel since all such bridges and tunnels as a group facilitate the movement of such traffic and relieve congestion at each of the several bridges and tunnels. Accordingly the two said states, in the interest of the users of such bridges and tunnels and the general public, hereby agree that the construction, maintenance, operation and control of all such bridges and tunnels, heretofore or hereafter authorized by the two said states, shall be unified under the port of New York authority (hereinafter called the port authority), to the end that the tolls and other revenues therefrom shall be applied so far as practicable to the costs of the construction, maintenance and operation of said bridges and tunnels as a group and economies in operation effected, it being the policy of the two said states that such bridges and tunnels shall as a group be in all respects self-sustaining.

HISTORY:

Add, L 1931, ch 47, eff as stated in Ch 171 § 24.

NOTES:

New York References:

This section referred to in CLS Unconsol Ch 171 § 21

Compact creating Port of New York District and establishing Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, CLS Unconsol Ch 151

Research References & Practice Aids:

27 NY Jur 2d Counties, Towns, and Municipal Corporations § 1304

Case Notes:

Court would not overturn district judge's finding that, insofar as Federal Highway Administrator's approval of Port Authority's toll increase on four interstate bridges rested on proposition that increased tolls were needed to provide fair return, he did not err in considering not only four bridges, but also Holland and Lincoln Tunnels, Port Authority's bus terminals at

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Manhattan ends of Lincoln Tunnel and George Washington Bridge, and Port Authority Trans-Hudson Railroad (PATH).
Automobile Club of New York, Inc. v Cox (1979, CA2 NY) 592 F2d 658.