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**Amendment**

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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 1279      File No. 762      Cal. No. 180

**"AN ACT CONCERNING AIR AND SEAPORT TRADE DEVELOPMENT."**

1      Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the  
2      following in lieu thereof:

3      "Sec. 501. Section 32-80 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
4      following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2007*):

5      (a) As used in this section:

6      (1) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Economic and  
7      Community Development.

8      (2) "Public investment communities" shall have the same meaning  
9      as "public investment communities", as defined in section 7-545.

10      (3) "Distressed municipality" shall have the same meaning as  
11      "distressed municipality", as defined in section 32-9p.

12      (4) "Eligible municipality" means a municipality that is a distressed

13 municipality and a public investment community, has a population of  
14 not more than forty thousand, has an unemployment rate that is more  
15 than the unemployment rate of the state, and for which the per capita  
16 income is less than the per capita income of the state.

17 (5) "Unemployment rate" means the average unemployment rate of  
18 a municipality or the state, as the case may be, as reported by the  
19 Labor Commissioner on the preceding July first for the latest available  
20 twelve-month period.

21 (6) "Per capita income" means the average per capita income of a  
22 municipality or the state, as the case may be, that is enumerated in the  
23 most recent (A) federal decennial census of population, or (B) current  
24 population report series issued by the United States Department of  
25 Commerce, Bureau of the Census available on the preceding January  
26 first, whichever is most recent.

27 (b) (1) Before July 1, 2005, the legislative bodies of three or more  
28 contiguous municipalities, each of which is a public investment  
29 community and has a population of not more than sixty thousand, and  
30 at least fifty per cent of which municipalities are located along the  
31 same interstate highway, limited access state highway or intersecting  
32 interstate or limited access state highways, may, with the approval of  
33 the commissioner, designate industrial districts in such municipalities  
34 as an enterprise corridor zone. (2) On or after July 1, 2005, the  
35 legislative bodies of two or more contiguous eligible municipalities, at  
36 least one of which is located along an interstate highway, limited  
37 access state highway or intersecting interstate or limited access state  
38 highways and is designated as a regional center in the locational guide  
39 map included in the state plan of conservation and development  
40 adopted pursuant to chapter 297, may, with the approval of the  
41 commissioner, designate such municipalities as an enterprise corridor  
42 zone. (3) On or after July 1, 2007, the legislative bodies of two or more  
43 contiguous municipalities, at least one of which has an enterprise  
44 corridor zone on the effective date of this section, may, with the  
45 approval of the commissioner, designate as part of such existing

46 enterprise corridor zone a tract of land in the municipality that does  
47 not have an enterprise corridor zone, provided such tract is zoned for  
48 industrial uses and contains a brownfield.

49 (c) Municipalities seeking the approval of the commissioner for such  
50 designation shall execute an intermunicipal agreement specifying how  
51 they would cooperatively share in the marketing, promotion and  
52 development of the industrial districts that would comprise the  
53 enterprise corridor zones, and shall file with the commissioner a  
54 preliminary application which includes such executed agreement. Not  
55 later than sixty days after receipt of such preliminary application, the  
56 commissioner shall indicate to the municipalities, in writing, any  
57 recommendations for improving the municipalities' application. Not  
58 later than sixty days after receipt of the commissioner's written  
59 response, the municipalities shall file a final application with the  
60 commissioner.

61 (d) The commissioner shall approve the designation of at least two  
62 areas as enterprise corridor zones. The commissioner may remove the  
63 designation of any area he has approved as an enterprise corridor zone  
64 if such area no longer meets the criteria for such designation, provided  
65 no such designation shall be removed less than ten years after the date  
66 that such area no longer meets such criteria.

67 (e) Businesses located within an enterprise corridor zone shall be  
68 entitled to the same benefits, subject to the same conditions, under the  
69 general statutes for which businesses located in an enterprise zone  
70 qualify.

71 (f) The commissioner may adopt regulations in accordance with the  
72 provisions of chapter 54 to carry out the purposes of this section."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	July 1, 2007	32-80