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SENATE BILL 194

Short Title: Port Usage Contracts/Public Records. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Lee (Primary Sponsor).

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate.

March 9, 2015

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT A USAGE CONTRACT ENTERED INTO BETWEEN THE
STATE PORTS AUTHORITY AND A CARRIER IS NOT A PUBLIC RECORD.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Article 20 of Chapter 136 of the General Statutes is amended by
adding a new section to read:

"§ 136-276. Usage contracts.

A usage contract entered into between the Authority and a carrier is not a public record
within the meaning of G.S. 132-1. For purposes of this section, the term "usage contract" means
a contract or agreement that contains terms and conditions involving terminal services related
to maritime activities, including dockage, wharfage, cargo handling, storage, ro-ro service,
transportation drayage, and other miscellaneous port services."

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.

