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Introducer's Statement of Intent

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Chairperson: Senator Justin Wayne

Committee: Urban Affairs

Date of Hearing: February 15, 2022

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB 998 would amend the Municipal Inland Port Authority Act to make a number of changes, including:

- Allowing a non-profit economic development corporation to apply directly to the Department of Economic Development for the designation of a inland port authority if the city or county has not taken steps to create one;
- Permitting up to 25% of an area designated as an inland port district to be noncontiguous with the remaining portions of the district;
- Authorizing a port authority to grant funds to any business located within the boundaries of the inland port district;
- Clarifying that the Department of Economic Development may establish prioritization criteria for the designation of inland port authorities; and
- Clarifying that the Act does not require that real property located within the boundaries of an inland port district be publicly owned

Principal Introducer:	
	Senator Justin Wayne