

SENATE No. 2376

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Ten

An Act authorizing certain development in the Fort Point Channel in the city of Boston.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Notwithstanding sections 14 and 34 of chapter 91 of the General Laws or
2 any other general or special law to the contrary, the department of environmental protection may
3 grant licenses to the Boston Redevelopment Authority and any co-applicant that otherwise
4 fulfills the requirements for a chapter 91 license, as determined by the department of
5 environmental protection, to construct, maintain and repair pile-supported and floating publicly-
6 accessible structures, including related utilities, as contemplated in “The Boston Inner Harbor
7 Passenger Water Transportation Plan”, dated January, 2000, prepared by Boston Redevelopment
8 Authority, or as contemplated in “The Fort Point Channel Watersheet Activation Plan”, dated
9 May, 2002, prepared by Boston Redevelopment Authority, as the same may be amended from
10 time to time, which projects are located in whole or in part beyond the harbor line of the Fort
11 Point Channel, such harbor line as established in prior legislative acts including, but not limited
12 to, chapter 35 of the acts of 1840 and chapter 170 of the acts of 1880.

13 SECTION 2. A final plan showing the specific location of the projects, located in whole
14 or in part beyond the Fort Point Channel harbor line, shall be incorporated into any waterways

15 license issued under this act. Plans showing the location of the projects shall be prepared for the
16 department of environmental protection and shall be on file at the department for public
17 inspection, as required by chapter 91 of the General Laws and any accompanying regulations.

18 SECTION 3. Nothing in this act shall be construed to exempt any project from
19 substantive or procedural requirements of chapter 91 of the General Laws and any accompanying
20 regulations, other than the exemption permitted in this act from the harbor line requirements of
21 sections 14 and 34 of said chapter 91.