

## Article 23A - Corporations - Municipal

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The legislative body of every incorporated municipality in this State, except Baltimore City, by whatever name known, shall have general power to pass such ordinances not contrary to the public general or public local laws and the Constitution of Maryland as they may deem necessary in order to assure the good government of the municipality, to protect and preserve the municipality's rights, property, and privileges, to preserve peace and good order, to secure persons and property from danger and destruction, and to protect the health, comfort and convenience of the citizens of the municipality; but nothing in this article shall be construed to authorize the legislative body of any incorporated municipality to pass any ordinance which is inconsistent or in conflict with any ordinance, rule or regulation passed, ordained or adopted by the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission and the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission, and nothing in this article shall be taken or construed to affect, change, modify, limit or restrict in any manner any of the corporate powers of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore which it now has or which hereafter may be granted to it.

In addition to, but not in substitution of, the powers which have been, or may hereafter be, granted to it, such legislative body also shall have the following express ordinance-making powers:

~~(13) -- To grant franchises as provided under existing public general or public local laws AND TO COLLECT A REASONABLE TAX OR FEE FOR THE FRANCHISES GRANTED.~~

~~(32) (A) SUBJECT TO ANY RESTRICTIONS IMPOSED BY THE PUBLIC GENERAL LAWS OF THE STATE, (A) TO REQUIRE PERMITS OR LICENSES TO BE OBTAINED WHERE WHEN NECESSARY IN THE INTEREST OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE.~~

~~(b) TO ESTABLISH AND COLLECT REASONABLE FEES AND CHARGES FOR ALL TYPES OF LICENSES, PERMITS, AND REGULATORY FUNCTIONS AUTHORIZED IN THIS SECTION, AND~~

~~(c) TO ESTABLISH AND COLLECT REASONABLE FEES AND CHARGES ASSOCIATED WITH THE EXERCISE OF ANY GOVERNMENTAL OR PROPRIETARY FUNCTION.~~

SECTION --- 2 --- AND --- BE --- IT --- FURTHER --- ENACTED, --- That --- no municipality shall be liable for the refund of --- any --- license or permit fees or charges authorized by this Act if the fees or charges --- were established and collected after January 17, 1954.