including any public library subdivision of the State, association or organization and any fire department receiving part or all of its funds from or through any such county, town, municipality, special taxing area or other political of the State, and also including any board or commission created by an act of the General Assembly for public purpose and not for the profit of any private person or corporation. If a municipal corporation ceases to meet the definition of "municipal corporation" by virtue of any public general or public local law, any employee thereof who has been a member of the retirement system may continue membership in the system at the employee's election if the employer's contribution, as required herein, continues to be made pursuant to this article.

- (2) For the purpose of participation in the Employees' Retirement System the following entities each shall be considered to be a municipal corporation:
- (i) The Interstate Commission on the Potomac River Basin;
 - (ii) A cooperative library commission;
 - (iii) The Upper Potomac River Commission;
- (iv) The Tri-County Council for Western Maryland, Inc.;
 - (v) The Allegany County Transit Authority;
 - (vi) The Health Planning Council of Appalachia;
 - (vii) The St. Mary's County Nursing Home;
 - (viii) The Maryland Environmental Service;

[and]

- (ix) The Chesapeake Bay Commission; AND
- (X) FROM-AND-AFTER-OCTOBER-1,-1983, THE LOWER SHORE PRIVATE INDUSTRY COUNCIL, INC.
- (c) "Legislative body" means county commissioners, city council, town council, president and commissioners, burgess and commissioners (or by whatever other name the legislative body of any incorporated town, city or municipality may be known) and the board or commission having authority or control over any other political subdivision of the State, including the board or governing body of any public library association or organization and any fire department receiving part or all of its funds from or through any county, incorporated town or municipality or special taxing area or other political subdivision of the State.