

**Article 23A – Corporations – Municipal**

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(b) 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:

(19) To establish a merit system in connection with the appointment of all municipal officials and employees not elected or appointed under the Constitution or public general or public local laws of the State, and to request and avail themselves of the facilities of the Department of Personnel, as provided in § 2-204 of the State Personnel AND PENSIONS Article, for the administration of such merit system without unnecessary expense.

(29) To provide for special elections for municipal purposes, at such [times,] TIMES and places as may be determined, and subject to the provisions of the charter of said municipality.

**DRAFTER'S NOTE:**

Error: Obsolete cross-reference in Article 23A, § 2(b)(19) and extraneous comma in § 2(b)(29).

Occurred: Obsolete cross-reference in Article 23A, § 2(b)(19) occurred as a result of Ch. 468, Acts of 1994. Extraneous comma in Article 23A, § 2(b)(29) occurred in Ch. 731, Acts of 1947.

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(c) (1) It has been and shall continue to be the policy of the State to authorize each municipal corporation to displace or limit competition in the area of port regulation undertaken by a board of port wardens pursuant to [§ 2(23A)(i)] § 2(B)(23A)(I) of this article, to provide for safe harbors, free of congestion and navigational hazards, to provide benefits to municipal citizens by protecting marine life and wildlife, and to avoid water pollution and erosion.

**DRAFTER'S NOTE:**

Error: Erroneous cross-reference in Article 23A, § 2A(c)(1).

Occurred: Ch. 255, Acts of 1984.

13.

(d) The mayor or other chief executive officer of the municipal corporation, by whatever name known, shall give notice by posting and publication of any resolution which proposes an amendment or amendments to the municipal charter. A complete and exact copy of the resolution containing the proposed amendment or amendments shall be posted at the town hall or other main municipal building or public place for a period of at least forty days following its adoption[, or the posted notice shall state that, if the proposed amendment is adopted, the municipal corporation then shall be governed under