

authority shall appoint one of said persons so certified to said position. IF THE CLASS IS UNIQUE TO ONE AGENCY, THE SECRETARY MAY PERMIT THE AGENCY TO RECRUIT, EXAMINE, AND CERTIFY A LIST OF ELIGIBLE PERSONS TO BE CONSIDERED FOR APPOINTMENT TO THAT UNIQUE CLASS. An appointing authority shall not appoint a nonresident of the State from any list when there is a resident of the State with the same or a better standing on the list. An appointing officer who passes over a veteran eligible as provided in § 18 of this article and selects a nonveteran shall file with the Secretary of Personnel a substantial reason for so doing, which shall become a part of the record of such veteran eligible, and shall be made available upon request to the veteran or his designated representatives; the Secretary of Personnel is directed to determine the sufficiency of such submitted reason and, if found insufficient, shall require such appointing officer to submit more detailed information in support thereof; if the reason so received be deemed insufficient by the Secretary of Personnel, then, he shall order the employment of such veteran by such appointing officer, and a copy thereof shall be sent to the veteran eligible or to his designated representatives; in case there is no eligible list for the class, the Secretary shall forthwith call an examination, and shall post the eligible list resulting therefrom within sixty days from the time of holding said examination, and in case no eligible list results, the Secretary shall repeat such call and continue to hold examinations until an eligible list results. If necessary to prevent the stoppage of public business, but not otherwise, the Secretary may authorize temporary appointment as prescribed in § 22 of this article.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1976.

Approved May 17, 1976.

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CHAPTER 685

(House Bill 788)

AN ACT concerning

Municipal Corporation Ordinances - Annual Publication

FOR the purpose of requiring the several municipal corporations of the State, including Baltimore City, to provide annually for the editing, preparation, publication, and sale or other distribution of a supplement to or new edition of their most recent