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§1-707.

- (a) This section applies only to code counties and municipalities.
- (b) It is the policy of the State to authorize each code county and municipality to displace or limit competition in the area of port regulation to:
 - (1) provide for safe harbors free of congestion and navigational hazards;
 - (2) protect marine life and wildlife; and
 - (3) prevent water pollution and erosion.
- (c) Notwithstanding any anticompetitive effect, a code county or municipality may:
 - (1) grant one or more franchises or enter into contracts for the placement or construction of structures in or on the waters of the county or municipality;
 - (2) issue licenses for wharves and piers; or
 - (3) issue permits for mooring piles, floating wharves, buoys, and anchors.

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