

House Bill 500

By: Representatives Drenner of the 85th, Fullerton of the 153rd, Oliver of the 82nd, and Smith of the 125th

**A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT**

1 To amend Code Section 46-3-201 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the
2 existence and powers of electric membership corporations, so as to require contracts for the
3 purchase of power which are longer than five years in duration to be reviewed by the public
4 service commission; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:**

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 Code Section 46-3-201 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the existence
8 and powers of electric membership corporations, is amended by revising paragraph (11) of
9 subsection (b) as follows:

10 "(11) To make any and all contracts necessary or convenient for the exercise of the
11 powers granted in this article, including, but not limited to, contracts with any person,
12 federal agency, or municipality for the purchase or sale of energy; and, in connection with
13 any such contract, to stipulate and agree to such covenants, terms, and conditions as the
14 board of directors may deem appropriate, including, but not limited to, covenants, terms,
15 and conditions with respect to resale rates, financial and accounting methods, services,
16 operation and maintenance practices, and the manner of disposing of the revenues of the
17 system operated and maintained by the electric membership corporation; provided,
18 however, that all such contracts for the purchase or sale of energy the duration of which
19 exceeds five years shall be subject to examination by the Public Service Commission;"

20 **SECTION 2.**

21 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.