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HOUSE BILL 223*
Senate Commerce Committee Substitute Adopted 6/6/13

Short Title: Electric Membership Corps/Member Control.

(Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

March 6, 2013

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT EXEMPTING ELECTRIC MEMBERSHIP CORPORATIONS FROM
3 INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLANNING AND SERVICE REGULATIONS
4 REQUIREMENTS ESTABLISHED BY THE UTILITIES COMMISSION, RETURNING
5 OVERSIGHT OF THE CORPORATIONS TO THEIR MEMBER BOARD OF
6 DIRECTORS, AND CLARIFYING THE AUTHORITY OF THE NORTH CAROLINA
7 RURAL ELECTRIFICATION AUTHORITY TO RECEIVE AND INVESTIGATE
8 COMPLAINTS FROM MEMBERS OF ELECTRIC MEMBERSHIP CORPORATIONS.

9 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

10 SECTION 1. G.S. 62-42 reads as rewritten:

11 "§ 62-42. **Compelling efficient service, extensions of services and facilities, additions and**
12 **improvements.**

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14 ~~(e) For the purpose of this section, "public utility" shall include any electric~~
15 ~~membership corporation operating within this State."~~

16 SECTION 2. G.S. 62-110.1 reads as rewritten:

17 "§ 62-110.1. **Certificate for construction of generating facility; analysis of long-range**
18 **needs for expansion of facilities; ongoing review of construction costs; inclusion**
19 **of approved construction costs in rates.**

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21 (b) For the purpose of subsections ~~(a)~~, ~~(e)~~, ~~(a)~~ and (d) of this section, "public utility"
22 shall include any electric membership corporation operating within this State, and the term
23 "public utility service" shall include the service rendered by any such electric membership
24 corporation.

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26 SECTION 3. G.S. 117-2 reads as rewritten:

27 "§ 117-2. **Powers.**

28 The purpose of said North Carolina Rural Electrification Authority is to secure electrical
29 service for the rural districts of the State where service is not now being rendered, and it is
30 hereby empowered to do the following in order to accomplish that purpose:

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32 (11a) To receive and investigate complaints from members of electric membership
33 corporations.

34 (12) To do all other acts and things which may be necessary to aid the rural
35 communities in North Carolina to secure electric energy."

36 SECTION 4. This act becomes effective July 1, 2013.

