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Senate Resolution 619

By: Senator Tippins of the 37th

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending the Cobb EMC Board of Directors, management, and employees; and for other
- 2 purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, the Cobb EMC Board of Directors, management, and employees redefined the
- 4 co-op in 2011 and 2012 with an emphasis on identifying and meeting the needs of co-op
- 5 members; and
- 6 WHEREAS, the board dissolved Cobb Energy in 2011 and transferred all employees and
- 7 assets to Cobb EMC; and
- 8 WHEREAS, the board proposed, revised, and updated bylaws, which were accepted by
- 9 voting members at the September, 2012, annual meeting; and
- 10 WHEREAS, the board increased accountability and communication with members by
- 11 posting quarterly reviewed financial statements and monthly board meeting minutes on the
- 12 corporate website, hosting periodic town hall meetings for members, and inviting members
- 13 to attend monthly open board meetings; and
- 14 WHEREAS, the board approved a financial management plan and budgeting software;
- 15 renewed credit lines, returned Cobb EMC to tax exempt status, and increased the co-op's
- 16 equity level; evaluated retail rates, reduced retail power costs, and generated savings; and
- 17 retired capital credits to some members for the first time since 1976; and
- 18 WHEREAS, the board approved joining Touchstone Energy to bring savings and discounts
- 19 to members; and
- 20 WHEREAS, the board encourages accountability at all levels and has begun assessments of
- 21 each co-op division to improve efficiency.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body

- 23 commend the efforts of the Cobb EMC Board of Directors, management, and employees for
- 24 their tireless efforts to promote the core business of Cobb EMC, which is to safely deliver
- 25 reliable, competitively priced electricity while being accountable to member-owners through
- sound governance, management, operating practices, and concern for the communities it
- 27 serves.
- 28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 29 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Cobb EMC.