

House Bill 379

By: Representatives Dickerson of the 113th, Welch of the 110th, Rutledge of the 109th, and Belton of the 112th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To authorize the City of Porterdale to exercise all redevelopment and other powers under
2 Article IX, Section II, Paragraph VII(b) of the Constitution and Chapter 44 of Title 36 of the
3 O.C.G.A., the "Redevelopment Powers Law," as amended; to provide for a referendum; to
4 provide effective dates; to provide for automatic repeal under certain circumstances; to repeal
5 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 The City of Porterdale shall be and is authorized to exercise all redevelopment and other
9 powers under Chapter 44 of Title 36 of the O.C.G.A., the "Redevelopment Powers Law," as
10 amended. The intention of this Act is to authorize the City of Porterdale to undertake and
11 carry out community redevelopment, to create tax allocation districts, to issue tax allocation
12 bonds, and to incur other obligations within the meaning of and as fully permitted under the
13 provisions of Article IX, Section II, Paragraph VII(b) of the Constitution of the State of
14 Georgia of 1983, as amended, and to authorize the City of Porterdale to exercise
15 redevelopment powers as fully as the "Redevelopment Powers Law" may now or hereafter
16 permit and not to limit any redevelopment powers permitted under the "Redevelopment
17 Powers Law."

18 **SECTION 2.**

19 The election superintendent of the City of Porterdale shall call and conduct an election as
20 provided in this section for the purpose of submitting this Act to the electors of the City of
21 Porterdale for approval or rejection. The election superintendent shall conduct that election
22 on any permissible special election date under Code Section 21-2-540 of the O.C.G.A. but
23 not later than November, 2015, and shall issue the call and conduct that election as provided
24 by general law. The superintendent shall cause the date and purpose of the election to be

25 published once a week for two weeks immediately preceding the date thereof in the official
26 organ of Newton County. The ballot shall have written or printed thereon the words:

27 "() YES Shall the Act be approved which authorizes the City of Porterdale to
28 exercise redevelopment powers under the 'Redevelopment Powers Law,' as
29 () NO it may be amended from time to time?"

30 All persons desiring to vote for approval of the Act shall vote "Yes," and those persons
31 desiring to vote for rejection of the Act shall vote "No." If more than one-half of the votes
32 cast on such question are for approval of the Act, then Section 1 of this Act shall become of
33 full force and effect immediately. If Section 1 of this Act is not so approved or if the election
34 is not conducted as provided in this section, Section 1 of this Act shall not become effective
35 and this Act shall be automatically repealed on the first day of January immediately
36 following that election date. The expense of such election shall be borne by the City of
37 Porterdale. It shall be the election superintendent's duty to certify the result thereof to the
38 Secretary of State.

39 **SECTION 3.**

40 Except as otherwise provided in Section 2 of this Act, this Act shall become effective upon
41 its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

42 **SECTION 4.**

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