

By: Representatives West, Straughter, Smith  
(35th)

To: Public Utilities;  
Municipalities

HOUSE BILL NO. 1161

1 AN ACT TO CREATE A NEW CODE SECTION TO BE CODIFIED AS SECTION  
2 77-3-12, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO AUTHORIZE THE PUBLIC SERVICE  
3 COMMISSION TO ISSUE COMPETING CERTIFICATES OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE  
4 AND NECESSITY TO GENERATE, TRANSMIT OR DISTRIBUTE ELECTRICITY; AND  
5 FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

7 SECTION 1. The following provision shall be codified as

8 Section 77-3-12, Mississippi Code of 1972:

9 77-3-12. The commission may issue more than one (1)  
10 competing certificate of public convenience and necessity to  
11 generate, transmit or distribute electricity in the same  
12 geographical area.

13 The commission shall adopt all rules and regulations  
14 necessary for implementing the issuance of competing certificates.

15 The commission retains the authority to issue orders to  
16 implement its rules, regulations and the provisions of this  
17 chapter, including the authority to grant and modify, impose  
18 conditions upon, or revoke a certificate.

19 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from  
20 and after July 1, 1999.