By Senator Altman

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to municipal power regulation; amending s. 366.02, F.S.; amending the definition of "public utility" to include municipalities that receive or purchase power from an entity created under the Florida Interlocal Cooperation Act of 1969; amending the definition of "electric utility" to exempt municipalities that do not purchase or receive power from an entity created under the Florida Interlocal Cooperation Act of 1969; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Subsections (1) and (2) of section 366.02, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

366.02 Definitions.—As used in this chapter:

(1) "Public utility" means every person, corporation, partnership, association, or other legal entity and their lessees, trustees, or receivers supplying electricity or gas (natural, manufactured, or similar gaseous substance) to or for the public within this state and includes a municipality or an agency thereof that purchases or receives all or a portion of its power from an entity created under the Florida Interlocal Cooperation Act of 1969.; but The term "public utility" does not include either a cooperative now or hereafter organized and existing under the Rural Electric Cooperative Law of the state; a municipality or any agency thereof that does not purchase or receive any power from an entity created under the Florida

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Interlocal Cooperation Act of 1969; any dependent or independent special natural gas district; any natural gas transmission pipeline company making only sales or transportation delivery of natural gas at wholesale and to direct industrial consumers; any entity selling or arranging for sales of natural gas which neither owns nor operates natural gas transmission or distribution facilities within the state; or a person supplying liquefied petroleum gas, in either liquid or gaseous form, irrespective of the method of distribution or delivery, or owning or operating facilities beyond the outlet of a meter through which natural gas is supplied for compression and delivery into motor vehicle fuel tanks or other transportation containers, unless such person also supplies electricity or manufactured or natural gas.

(2) "Electric utility" means any municipal electric utility that does not purchase or receive any power from an entity created under the Florida Interlocal Cooperation Act of 1969, investor-owned electric utility, or rural electric cooperative which owns, maintains, or operates an electric generation, transmission, or distribution system within the state.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014.