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**Bob Durden, Longest Serving Member Of Georgia's Public Service Commission, Dies After Long Battle With Cancer**

ATLANTA – On May 2, 2002, Bob Durden, longest serving member of Georgia's Public Service Commission, died at age 54.

Durden, elected in 1991, was in his 12<sup>th</sup> year of service, making him the Dean of the five-member PSC Board. He was honored by his fellow Commissioners at a recent Administrative Session of the Commission for his long service and efforts on behalf of Georgia ratepayers. Georgia ratepayers have saved over 1.34 billion dollars during his tenure at the PSC.

Durden had already announced his candidacy for re-election this year as a Republican from the Southern District (District 1), under Georgia's new district system. "My service on the PSC has been a great personal privilege and high honor," Durden said in his announcement.

"The opportunity for service to residential and small business ratepayers has never been greater," Durden said, "and I look forward to playing a large role in that continuing effort."

Bob Durden was well respected by his colleagues and will be missed by all who had an opportunity to know him and work with him. Those who watched him fight his "battle with the enemy" will forever view cancer differently, because of the defiant and open way he faced his illness.

He was born November 2, 1947.

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