



Cooperative Purchasing in Georgia is authorized by Georgia State Statutes:

TITLE 36. LOCAL GOVERNMENT
PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO COUNTIES AND MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS
CHAPTER 69A. INTERLOCAL COOPERATION
O.C.G.A. § 36-69A-4 (2011)

§ 36-69A-4. Joint exercise of powers, privileges, or authority; agreements with public agencies of other states; required information and provisions; limitations on contracts

(a) Any power or powers, privileges, or authority exercised or capable of exercise **[e.g. procurement]** by a public agency **[e.g. Any political subdivision of this state (city, county, etc.)]** of this state may be exercised and enjoyed jointly with any other public agency of any other state **[Any political subdivision of another state, including NJPA]** or of the United States to the extent that laws of such other state or of the United States permit such joint exercise or enjoyment. The authority for joint or cooperative action of political subdivisions shall apply to powers, privileges, or authority vested in, funded by, or under the control of their governing bodies.

(b) Any public agency in this state may enter into agreements with a public agency in another state for joint or cooperative action pursuant to the provisions of this chapter to effectuate the purposes of this chapter. **[Any political subdivision of this state (city, county, etc.) may participate in a cooperative purchasing agreement with any political subdivision of another state—e.g. NJPA].** Appropriate action of the governing bodies of the participating public agencies by resolution or otherwise pursuant to law shall be necessary before any such agreement may enter into force. Any such agreement shall be subject to the requirements provided by the Constitution and general laws of this state with respect to intergovernmental contracts.

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