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SENATE BILL NO. 22

Introduced by: The Committee on State Affairs at the request of the Public Utilities
Commission

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to prohibit the filing of tariffs for certain
2 telecommunications services and to impose certain requirements regarding the availability
3 of telecommunications services information.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

5 Section 1. That chapter 49-31 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as
6 follows:

7 Unless exempted from filing by § 49-31-5.1, a telecommunications company shall file tariffs
8 only for emerging and noncompetitive telecommunications services. No other
9 telecommunications services may be tariffed.

10 Section 2. That chapter 49-31 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as
11 follows:

12 A telecommunications company shall make available to any person, in at least one location,
13 during regular business hours, information concerning its current rates, terms, and conditions
14 for all of its telecommunications services. The information shall be made available in an easy
15 to understand format and in a timely manner. Following an inquiry or complaint from a person



1 concerning a rate, term, or condition for a telecommunications service, a telecommunications
2 company shall specify that such information is available and the manner in which the person
3 may obtain the information. A telecommunications company that maintains an internet website
4 shall make the information available on-line at its internet website in a timely and easily
5 accessible manner and shall update the information when changes are made. A
6 telecommunications company shall notify a customer of any materially adverse change to any
7 rate, term, or condition of any telecommunications service being provided to the customer. The
8 notification shall be made at least thirty days in advance of the change.