SENATE NATURAL RESOURCES
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(First Reading Version)

Proposed Amendments of Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.
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1. Title: Line 5
   Following: "require public utilities to"
   Strike: "file general rate cases"
   Insert: "prepare and file its total cost of providing jurisdictional services"

2. Title: Line 5
   Following: "that following the filings,"
   Strike: "public utilities have the burden of proof"

3. Page 1, line 14
   Following: "require the public utility to"
   Strike: "file an application for a general rate case or some part of a general rate case"
   Insert: "prepare and file, in accordance with commission rules establishing minimum rate filing standards, its total cost of providing jurisdictional services"

4. Page 1, line 15
   Following: "commission"
   Strike: "may"
   Insert: "shall"

5. Page 1, line 16
   Following: "minimum filing requirements."
   Strike: "A public utility filing an application pursuant to this section has the burden of persuading the commission that the rates, schedules, and service proposals contained in the application of the public utility are reasonable and just."