



2021 South Dakota Legislature

House Bill 1207

Introduced by: **Representative Willadsen**

1 **An Act to revise certain provisions related to telecommunications companies.**

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

3 **Section 1.** That § 49-31-1.1 be AMENDED.

4 **49-31-1.1. "Noncompetitive service" defined.**

5 For the purposes of this chapter, "noncompetitive service" is a monopoly service
6 ~~for which no competition exists~~ in areas of the state where only one provider offers voice
7 service using any technology or the regulation of which is necessary to insure affordable
8 local exchange service. Such services include:

- 9 (1) Residential local exchange service;
10 (2) Business local exchange service;
11 (3) Agribusiness local exchange service;
12 (4) Emergency services;
13 (5) Public and semipublic coin telephone service; and
14 (6) All services not otherwise listed in §§ 49-31-1.2 and 49-31-1.3.

15 **Section 2.** That § 49-31-85 be AMENDED.

16 **49-31-85. Commission to establish quality of service standards.**

17 Any regulation of telecommunications service by the commission pursuant to
18 chapters 49-13 and 49-31 shall be fair, reasonable, nondiscriminatory and applicable to
19 all telecommunications carriers providing service in the state. The commission shall
20 establish, by rules promulgated pursuant to chapter 1-26, quality of service standards for
21 noncompetitive service.