

SENATE BILL NO. 2322

Introduced by

Senators C. Nelson, Tomac, Yockim

Representatives Delmore, Oban

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subsection to section 49-02-02 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to the employment and compensation of expert help and assistance for
3 public service commission hearings and investigations.

4 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

5 **SECTION 1.** A new subsection to section 49-02-02 of the 1995 Supplement to the
6 North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

7 Employ, and fix the compensation of, rate experts, engineers, auditors, attorneys,
8 and all other expert help and assistance for hearings or investigations regarding
9 gas or electric public utilities other than on rate increase applications filed by gas or
10 electric public utilities. The expense of any hearings or investigations and the
11 actual expenses of any employees of the commission while engaged upon any
12 hearing or investigation regarding gas or electric public utilities other than on rate
13 increase applications filed by gas or electric public utilities must be charged to the
14 general fund.