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Overview

Recognizing the increasing regionalization of the electrical grid that has occurred in recent years, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission allows, as part of its electricity transmission tariff, costs of transmission facilities that benefit customers in a state, even if they do not physically travel through the state, to be allocated to those benefitted customers. The Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator (MISO), the 15-state Regional Transmission Organization to which Minnesota belongs, makes determinations as to the allocation of benefits and costs of transmission facilities it determines benefits the region. House File 1084 authorizes the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission to allow a utility paying such allocated transmission charges to recover them from customers.