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S. 2947

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

NOVEMBER 20, 2014

Mr. HEINRICH introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. TREATMENT OF WHOLESALE DEMAND RE-**
 2 **SPONSE RESOURCES.**

3 Section 206(a) of the Federal Power Act (16 U.S.C.
 4 824e(a)) is amended—

5 (1) by designating the first through third sen-
 6 tences as paragraphs (1) through (3), respectively;
 7 and

8 (2) by adding at the end the following:

9 “(4) TREATMENT OF WHOLESALE DEMAND RE-
 10 SPONSE RESOURCES.—

11 “(A) DEFINITIONS.—In this paragraph:

12 “(i) DEMAND RESPONSE.—The term
 13 ‘demand response’ means a reduction in
 14 the consumption of electric energy by cus-
 15 tomers from their expected consumption in
 16 response to an increase in the price of elec-
 17 tric energy or to incentive payments de-
 18 signed to induce lower consumption of elec-
 19 tric energy.

20 “(ii) DEMAND RESPONSE RE-
 21 SOURCE.—The term ‘demand response re-
 22 source’ means a resource capable of pro-
 23 viding demand response.

24 “(B) AUTHORITY.—The Commission may
 25 prescribe just, reasonable, and not unduly dis-
 26 criminatory or preferential terms, conditions,

1 and compensation applicable to wholesale de-
2 mand response resource participation in orga-
3 nized wholesale energy, capacity, and ancillary
4 service markets.”.

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