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To reinstate and extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project involving Jennings Randolph Dam.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 23, 2017

Mr. MANCHIN (for himself and Mrs. CAPITO) 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,*

3 **SECTION 1. REINSTATEMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME**

4 **FOR A FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COM-**

5 **MISSION PROJECT INVOLVING JENNINGS**

6 **RANDOLPH DAM.**

7 (a) EXTENSION OF TIME.—Notwithstanding the time
8 period specified in section 13 of the Federal Power Act
9 (16 U.S.C. 806) that would otherwise apply to the Federal

1 Energy Regulatory Commission project numbered 12715
2 (referred to in this section as the “project”), the Federal
3 Energy Regulatory Commission (referred to in this section
4 as the “Commission”) may, at the request of the licensee
5 for the project, and after reasonable notice, in accordance
6 with the good faith, due diligence, and public interest re-
7 quirements of, and the procedures of the Commission
8 under, that section, extend the time period during which
9 the licensee is required to commence the construction of
10 the project for not more than 3 consecutive 2-year periods
11 that begin on the date of the expiration of the extension
12 originally issued by the Commission.

13 (b) OBLIGATION OF LICENSEE.—Any obligation of
14 the licensee for the project for the payment of annual
15 charges under section 10(e) of the Federal Power Act (16
16 U.S.C. 803(e)) shall commence on the expiration of the
17 time period to commence construction of the project, as
18 extended by the Commission under subsection (a).

19 (c) REINSTATEMENT OF EXPIRED LICENSE.—

20 (1) IN GENERAL.—If the period required for
21 the commencement of construction of the project has
22 expired before the date of enactment of this Act, the
23 Commission may reinstate the license effective as of
24 the date of the expiration of the license.

1 (2) EXTENSION.—If the Commission reinstates
2 the license under paragraph (1), the first extension
3 authorized under subsection (a) shall take effect on
4 the date of the expiration of the license.

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