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115TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION**S. 723****[Report No. 115–80]**

To extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 27, 2017

Mr. BURR (for himself and Mr. TILLIS) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

MAY 24, 2017

Reported by Ms. MURKOWSKI, with amendments

[Omit the part struck through and insert the part printed in *italic*]**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. EXTENSION OF DEADLINE FOR HYDRO-**
 2 **ELECTRIC PROJECT.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding the time period
 4 specified in section 13 of the Federal Power Act (16
 5 U.S.C. 806) that would otherwise apply to the Federal En-
 6 ergy Regulatory Commission project numbered 12642, the
 7 Commission may, at the request of the licensee for the
 8 project, and after reasonable notice, in accordance with
 9 the good faith, due diligence, and public interest require-
 10 ments of that section and the procedures of the ~~Commis-~~
 11 ~~sion~~ *Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (referred to in*
 12 *this section as the “Commission”)* under that section, ex-
 13 tend the time period during which the licensee is required
 14 to commence the construction of the project for up to 3
 15 consecutive 2-year periods from the date of the expiration
 16 of the extension originally issued by the Commission.

17 (b) REINSTATEMENT OF EXPIRED LICENSE.—If the
 18 period required for commencement of construction of the
 19 project described in subsection (a) has expired prior to the
 20 date of enactment of this Act—

21 (1) the ~~Federal Energy Regulatory~~ Commission
 22 may reinstate the license effective as of the date of
 23 the expiration of the license; and

24 (2) the first extension authorized under sub-
 25 section (a) shall take effect on that expiration date.

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