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113TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

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To approve the Keystone XL Pipeline.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. CASSIDY introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on _____

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. KEYSTONE XL APPROVAL.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—TransCanada Keystone Pipeline,
5 L.P. may construct, connect, operate, and maintain the
6 pipeline and cross-border facilities described in the appli-
7 cation filed on May 4, 2012, by TransCanada Corporation
8 to the Department of State (including any subsequent re-
9 vision to the pipeline route within the State of Nebraska
10 required or authorized by the State of Nebraska).

1 (b) ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT.—The
2 Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement
3 issued by the Secretary of State in January 2014, regard-
4 ing the pipeline referred to in subsection (a), and the envi-
5 ronmental analysis, consultation, and review described in
6 that document (including appendices) shall be considered
7 to fully satisfy—

8 (1) all requirements of the National Environ-
9 mental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.);
10 and

11 (2) any other provision of law that requires
12 Federal agency consultation or review (including the
13 consultation or review required under section 7(a) of
14 the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C.
15 1536(a))) with respect to the pipeline and facilities
16 referred to in subsection (a).

17 (c) PERMITS.—Any Federal permit or authorization
18 issued before the date of enactment of this Act for the
19 pipeline and cross-border facilities referred to in sub-
20 section (a) shall remain in effect.

21 (d) FEDERAL JUDICIAL REVIEW.—Any legal chal-
22 lenge to a Federal agency action regarding the pipeline
23 and cross-border facilities described in subsection (a), and
24 the related facilities in the United States, that are ap-
25 proved by this Act, and any permit, right-of-way, or other

1 action taken to construct or complete the project pursuant
2 to Federal law, shall only be subject to judicial review on
3 direct appeal to the United States Court of Appeals for
4 the District of Columbia Circuit.

5 (e) PRIVATE PROPERTY SAVINGS CLAUSE.—Nothing
6 in this Act alters any Federal, State, or local process or
7 condition in effect on the date of enactment of this Act
8 that is necessary to secure access from an owner of private
9 property to construct the pipeline and cross-border facili-
10 ties described in subsection (a).