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Miscellaneous Trade and Technical Corrections Act of 2003

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Foreign Trade and International Finance

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • **State:** IA • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Reported Original Measure	Mar 20, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Foreign Trade and International Finance

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 HR 1047	Related document	Dec 3, 2004: Became Public Law No: 108-429.

Miscellaneous Trade and Technical Corrections Act of 2003 - Amends the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States to strike certain expired provisions.

Provides for temporary duty suspensions and reductions through December 31, 2005 for: (1) certain chemicals and dyes; (2) acrylic fiber tow; (3) certain optical instruments used in children's products; (4) cases for certain children's products; (5) certain children's products; (6) certain epoxy molding compounds; (7) certain textile machinery; (8) certain filament yarns; (9) certain printing machinery; (10) certain refracting and reflecting telescopes; (11) certain rubber riding boots; (12) a specified ink; (13) certain manufacturing equipment; (14) thermal release plastic film; (15) certain silver paints and pastes; (16) polymer masking material for aluminum capacitors; (17) certain pesticides; (18) necks used in cathode ray tubes; (19) combed cashmere and camel hair yarn; (20) certain carded cashmere yarn; (21) certain rayon filament yarn; (22) certain tire cord fabric; and (23) carbon dioxide cartridges.

Extends the existing suspension of duty through December 31, 2005 for: (1) chemicals and dyes; and (2) certain cathode-ray tubes.

Grants duty-free treatment through December 31, 2005 to: (1) certain cathode-ray tubes; and (2) certain chemicals. Extends the suspension of duty on certain polyamides through December 31, 2005.

Directs the Secretary of the Treasury to admit free of duty into the United States: (1) two tramway cars manufactured in Plzen, Czech Republic, for the use of the city of Portland, Oregon; and (2) a replica of the Liberty Bell imported from the Whitechapel Bell Foundry of London, England, by the Liberty Memorial Association of Green Bay and Brown County, Wisconsin, for use by the city of Green Bay, Wisconsin, and Brown County, Wisconsin.

Provides for liquidation or reliquidation of (refund of duty on) certain tomato sauce preparations.

Provides duty-free treatment for certain tractor parts suitable for agricultural use.

Amends the Tariff Act of 1930 to declare that the duty imposed on vessels (equipment) purchased, or the repair of such vessels, in a foreign country and documented under U.S. laws to engage in the foreign or coasting trade shall not apply, among other things, to the cost of such equipment, repair parts, and materials that are installed on such vessel, if the installation is done by members of the regular crew of such vessel while it is on the high seas.

Amends the Trade Act of 1974 to provide duty-free treatment under the Generalized System of Preferences for certain hand-knotted or hand-woven carpets.

Amends the Tariff Act of 1930 to allow a drawback (refund) of duties paid on certain articles imported into the United States and later shipped to the U.S. Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Wake Island, Midway Islands, Kingman Reef, Guam, Canton Island, Enderbury Island, Johnston Island, or Palmyra Island.

Provides a drawback (refund) of duties paid on unused merchandise which is entered into the United States and, within a specified time period, is later exported or destroyed.

Authorizes the President to extend nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to the products of Serbia and Montenegro (formerly the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia).

Provides for: (1) treatment of certain footwear under Caribbean Basin Economic Recovery Act; (2) designation of San Antonio International Airport for customs processing of certain private aircraft arriving in the United States; (3) revisions to

the U.S. insular possession program; and (4) the rate of duty for articles eligible for preferential treatment under the Andean Trade Preference Act.

Amends the Trade Act of 1974, the Caribbean Basin Economic Recovery Act, and the Andean Trade Preference Act to condition the designation of a beneficiary country on the extent to which country provides adequate and effective protection of intellectual property rights notwithstanding its compliance with the Agreement of Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 4, 2004:** Measure laid before Senate.
- **Mar 4, 2004:** Senate incorporated this measure in H. R. 1047 as an amendment.
- **Mar 4, 2004:** Senate passed companion measure H. R. 1047 in lieu of this measure by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S2187-2188)
- **Mar 4, 2004:** Returned to the Calendar. Calendar No. 43.
- **Mar 4, 2004:** See also H. R. 1047.
- **Mar 20, 2003:** Introduced in Senate
- **Mar 20, 2003:** Committee on Finance. Original measure reported to Senate by Senator Grassley. With written report No. 108-28.
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- **Mar 20, 2003:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 43.
- **Feb 27, 2003:** Committee on Finance ordered to be reported an original measure.