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Trade Enforcement Act of 2007

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Baucus, Max [D-MT]

Party: Democratic • State: MT • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Hatch, Orrin G. [R-UT]	R · UT		Aug 1, 2007
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		Aug 1, 2007

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Hearings By (full committee)	May 22, 2008

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 HR 6530	Related bill	Sep 29, 2008: Referred to the Subcommittee on Border, Maritime, and Global Counterterrorism.

Trade Enforcement Act of 2007 - Amends the Trade Act of 1974 to revise certain trade provisions to require the United States Trade Representative (USTR) to identify and report to Congress on: (1) U.S. trade enforcement priorities; (2) U.S. trade enforcement actions taken during the previous year and their impact in addressing foreign trade barriers; and (3) priority foreign country trade practices the USTR will focus U.S. trade enforcement efforts.

Requires the USTR to seek satisfactory resolution of any identified priority foreign country trade practice (including elimination or compensatory trade benefits) with the country concerned under the auspices of the World Trade Organization (WTO), pursuant to a bilateral or regional trade agreement to which the United States is a party, or by any other means.

Establishes the WTO Dispute Settlement Review Commission.

Requires a recommendation from the International Trade Commission (ITC) before the President can impose any duty or other import restriction on an imported Chinese product that causes or threatens market disruption to a like U.S. product. Requires an ITC recommendation to take effect upon enactment of a joint resolution by Congress disapproving presidential action where the President takes action that differs from such recommendation or declines to take action because it would have an adverse impact on the U.S. economy.

Amends the Tariff Act of 1930 to apply countervailing duty provisions to nonmarket economy countries.

Establishes: (1) the position of Chief Trade Enforcement Officer in the Office of the USTR; (2) an interagency Trade Enforcement Working Group.

Grants the ITC authority to appoint hearing officers (other than administrative law judges) to preside over intellectual property rights infringement cases before the ITC.

Defines the role of the interagency trade organization with respect to the performance of the functions of the USTR.

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## **Actions Timeline**

- **May 22, 2008:** Committee on Finance. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 110-1047.
- **Aug 1, 2007:** Introduced in Senate
- **Aug 1, 2007:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S10609-10610)
- **Aug 1, 2007:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.