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Trade Agreement Benchmarks and Accountability Act

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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • **State:** ND • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]	D · OH		Feb 7, 2008
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 7, 2008

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Foreign Trade and International Finance

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 HR 6148	Related bill	Jun 9, 2008: Referred to the Subcommittee on Trade.

Trade Agreement Benchmarks and Accountability Act - Subjects bills implementing trade agreements to a point of order unless certain conditions are met.

Withdraws congressional approval of a bill implementing a trade agreement only if a report by the International Trade Commission (ITC) indicates that certain benchmarks and predictions made with respect to an agreement are not being met and a joint resolution approving such withdrawal is enacted by Congress. Describes the benchmarks as analyses of the following effects of the agreement: (1) resulting job creation and job losses; (2) resulting improvement in wages for U.S. workers; (3) implementation and enforcement of the labor and environmental standards by each country that is a party to the agreement; and (4) the extent to which the agreement will result in an increase in access by U.S. businesses to the market of each country that is a party to the agreement, particularly those sectors identified by the U.S. Trade Representative (USTR) as of special importance.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 7, 2008:** Introduced in Senate
- **Feb 7, 2008:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S792-793)
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