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The Honorable Charles Grassley  
Chairman – Finance Committee  
United States Senate  
135 Senate Hart Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

Re: S. 3750 – Suspension of duties on certain imports of printed circuit assemblies

Dear Senator Grassley;

I am writing to express my opposition to this legislation. As a manager involved in the electronics interconnect industry for over 25 years, I have watched over the past 5 years as our industry has been devastated by imports from Asia, specifically China. Chinese currency manipulation has destabilized the global manufacturing economy. Now, Senator Feinstein has introduced a bill that will further damage the North American electronics manufacturing industrial base.

The past 5 years have seen a 60% reduction in the electronics manufacturing sector in this country. We have lost the edge in certain key technologies, and risk falling behind even further. This has affected exports, jobs, and of greatest import, our defense capabilities.

Having been involved in international trade for my entire career, I am very much in favor of free trade. But there has to be equity. This is strongly lacking today. S. 3750 makes no sense except to line the pockets of companies who have been at the forefront in exporting American jobs. Please join me in opposing this misguided legislation.

Sincerely;



Matthew Holzmann  
President

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