

George V. Voinovich

111TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 2375

To suspend temporarily the duty on certain laundry work surfaces.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. VOINOVICH introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on FINANCE

A BILL

To suspend temporarily the duty on certain laundry work surfaces.

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. CERTAIN LAUNDRY WORK SURFACES.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter II of chapter 99 of
5 the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States is
6 amended by inserting in numerical sequence the following
7 new heading:

"	9902.01.00	Laundry work surfaces, each comprising a molded poly-vinyl chloride plastic base with backguard supply tray and having a chemical and scratch-resistant synthetic rubber work mat insert on the top surface, the foregoing designed for placement across the tops of household front-loading clothes washer and dryer pairs to make a single work surface (provided for in subheading 4016.99.05)	Free	No Change	No Change	On or before 12/31/2011	"
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1 (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendment made by
2 subsection (a) applies to goods entered, or withdrawn from
3 warehouse for consumption, on or after the 15th day after
4 the date of the enactment of this Act.

LIMITED TARIFF BENEFIT DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Provide a signed hard copy to the Clerk of the Senate Committee on Finance located at 219 Dirksen SOB and a PDF version sent via email to mtb2009@finance-dem.senate.gov not later than five business days after the date of introduction of the bill. *Please be aware that this form will be made available to the public, media, and any other interested parties.*

Part I. This form is being submitted for S. 2375, which I introduced in the Senate on October 29, 2009. If the bill referenced above is a modification of a previously introduced bill to reflect technical changes, please indicate the previous bill number here: S. _____.

Part II. Please indicate the type of disclosure below: (Please check one only)
☒ The bill referenced in Part I is reasonably anticipated to benefit 10 or fewer individuals or entities, and as such constitutes a Limited Tariff Benefit. (Complete Part III)
☐ The bill referenced in Part I is reasonably anticipated to benefit more than 10 individuals or entities, and as such does not constitute a Limited Tariff Benefit.

Part III. Provide the information below in subparts A, B, and C if the bill referenced above is a Limited Tariff Benefit.

A. Anticipated Beneficiaries:

Whirlpool Corporation

B. Purpose of the Limited Tariff Benefit:

Laundry work surfaces are a relatively new and innovative product of Whirlpool Corporation. The duty suspension will help Whirlpool successfully bring this product, which complements laundry products produced in Ohio, to the U.S. market and offer consumers a useful tool which helps them better utilize the space on top of their clothes washers and dryers.

C. Financial Benefit Certification

☒ I hereby certify that neither I nor my immediate family has a financial interest in the above described limited tariff benefit.

George V. Voinovich
(Member Signature)

10/30/2009
Date

GEORGE V. VOINOVICH
(Print Member name)

BILL DESCRIPTION FORM

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Part I. S. 2375 was introduced on October 29, 2009. I am aware that the deadline to introduce bills is on October 30, 2009. If the bill referenced above is a modification of a previously introduced bill to reflect technical changes, please indicate the previous bill number here: S. _____.

Part II. The bill referenced above is: (please check one only)
☒ a new temporary duty suspension or temporary duty reduction
☐ an extension of an existing temporary duty suspension or temporary duty reduction
☐ a reliquidation in an instance of customs error and for which no litigation is pending
☐ a technical correction to U.S. tariff laws

Part III. Name of proponent(s): _____ Phone/email: _____
Whirlpool Corporation 202-639-9420

Part IV. The bill referenced above:
☒ has a companion bill in the House of Representatives: H.R. _____.
☐ does not have a companion bill in the House of Representatives.

Part V. If the Committee has a technical question concerning the bill, who should the Committee contact on your staff?

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George V. Voinovich
(Member Signature)

10/30/2009
Date

GEORGE V. VOINOVICH
(Print Member name)