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Ways and Means Adds More Bills To Miscellaneous Tariff Bill Process

The leadership of the House Ways and Means Trade Subcommittee late April 18 announced that several bills that were inadvertently omitted from an initial advisory meet the criteria for inclusion in the miscellaneous tariff bill process.


Chairman Sander M. Levin (D-Mich.) and ranking member Wally Herger (R-Calif.), accordingly, requested comments on the additions as follows:

- H.R. 3934--to amend the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States to modify the tariffs on certain footwear;
- H.R. 5059--to amend the African Growth and Opportunity Act with respect to lesser developed countries;
- H.R. 5476--to extend the temporary suspension of duty on ethofumesate in bulk or mixtures;
- H.R. 5482--to extend the duty suspension on Allyl isosulfocyanate;
- H.R. 5503--to suspend temporarily the duty on certain engines for snowmobiles;
- H.R. 5520--to extend the temporary suspension of duty on ceiling fans for permanent installation;
- H.R. 5538--to suspend temporarily the duty on certain sleeping bags;
- H.R. 5539--to suspend temporarily the duty on certain sleeping bags;
- H.R. 5553--to suspend temporarily the duty on certain travel bags;
- H.R. 5667--to provide for the liquidation or reliquidation of certain entries of newspaper printing presses and components thereof; and
- H.R. 5675--to amend the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States to revise the classification of certain cigars.


The deadline for comments on these bills is June 2.

The miscellaneous tariff bill is aimed at helping U.S. manufacturers compete by temporarily suspending or reducing duties on intermediate products or materials that are not made domestically, or where no domestic

opposition exists.

The first request for comments on this year's miscellaneous tariff bill was made Feb. 25 (38 DER A-6, 2/27/08 ).

Individuals or organizations submitting written comments for the record must follow the appropriate link on the hearing page of the committee website and complete the informational forms. From the committee home page <http://waysandmeans.house.gov>, select "110th Congress" from the menu entitled "Committee Hearings." Select the request for written comments which you would like to submit, and click on the link entitled, "Click here to provide a submission for the record."

Additional information on these bills can be accessed from the committee's home page at <http://waysandmeans.house.gov>. 

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