

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20436

**MEMORANDUM ON PROPOSED TARIFF LEGISLATION
of the 109th Congress¹**

[Date approved: October 11, 2006]²

Bill No. and sponsor: S. 3227 (Mr. Robert Menendez of New Jersey).

Proponent name, location: ICF Industries, New Jersey.

Other bills on product (109th Congress only): None.

Nature of bill: Temporary duty suspension through December 31, 2009.

Retroactive effect: None.

Suggested article description(s) for enactment (including appropriate HTS subheading(s)):

Single yarn of viscose rayon, with a twist exceeding 120 turns/m (provided for in subheading 5403.32.00)

Check one: Same as that in bill as introduced.
 Different from that in bill as introduced (see Technical comments section).

Product information, including uses/applications and source(s) of imports:

The subject product, single yarn of viscose rayon, is a synthetic extruded filament fiber that is used to manufacture a variety of products, including linings, decorative threads for monogramming and stitching, and fabrics for use in apparel and home furnishings. The subject product is imported from several countries, including Germany.

Estimated effect on customs revenue:

HTS subheading: 5403.32.00					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Col. 1-General rate of duty					
Col. 1-General rate of duty	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%
Estimated value <i>dutiable</i> imports	\$634,364	\$634,364	\$634,364	\$634,364	\$634,364
Customs revenue loss	\$63,436	\$63,436	\$63,436	\$63,436	\$63,436

Source of estimated dutiable import data: Official U.S. Government statistics and industry estimates.

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² Access to an electronic copy of this memorandum is available at http://usitc.gov/tata/hts/other/rel_doc/bill_reports/index.htm.

Contacts with domestic firms/organizations (including the proponent):

Name of firm/organization	Date contacted	Claim US makes same or competing product(s)?	Submission attached?	Opposition noted?
ICF Industries (Proponent) David Trachtenberg, 202-224-4744	08/10/2006 08/16/2006 08/18/2006 08/23/2006	No	No	No
Brodnax Mills David Kerr, 973-376-8123	08/23/2006 08/28/2006	No	No	No
Keystone Weaving Mills, Inc. Eli Caplan, 919-272-4665	08/22/2006	No	No	No
Lawrence Schiff Silk Mills, Inc. Richard J. Schiff, 215-538-2880	08/18/2006	No	No	No
J. B. Martin Company Loic De Kertanguy, 212-421-2020	08/21/2006	No	No	No
Mohawk Fabric Company, Inc. Dominic S. Wade, 518-842-3090	08/18/2006	No	No	No
National Council of Textile Organizations Missy Branson, 202-822-8026	08/23/2006 08/28/2006 08/29/2006	No	No	No
National Textiles Association David Trumball, 617-542-8220	07/28/2006	No	No	No
Robison-Anton Textile Company David E. Ronner, 201-941-0500	08/16/2006	No	No	No
St. John Knits Konrad Ried, 949-223-3389	08/18/2006	No	No	No

Technical comments:³ None.

³ The Commission may express an opinion on the HTS classification of a product to facilitate consideration of the bill. However, by law, only the U.S. Customs Service is authorized to issue a binding ruling on this matter. The Commission believes that the U.S. Customs Service should be consulted prior to enactment of the bill.

109TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

S. 3227

To suspend temporarily the duty on certain twisted yarn of viscose rayon.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 25, 2006

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

A BILL

To suspend temporarily the duty on certain twisted yarn of viscose rayon.

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 TWISTED YARN OF VISCOSE RAYON.**

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:

“	9902.54.04	Single yarn of viscose rayon, with a twist exceeding 120 turns/m (provided for in subheading 5403.32.00)	Free	No change	No change	On or before 12/31/2009	”.
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8 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
9 subsection (a) applies to goods entered, or withdrawn from

- 1 warehouse for consumption, on or after the 15th day after
- 2 the date of the enactment of this Act.

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