

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION  
Washington, DC 20436

**MEMORANDUM ON PROPOSED TARIFF LEGISLATION  
of the 109<sup>th</sup> Congress<sup>1</sup>**

[Date approved: September 28, 2006]<sup>2</sup>

**Bill No. and sponsor:** S. 3294 (Mr. George Allen of Virginia).

**Proponent name, location:** Hamilton Beach/Proctor-Silex, Glen Allen, VA.

**Other bills on product (109<sup>th</sup> 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)):**

Electromechanical juice extractors, each with a self-contained two-speed electric motor rated over 300 W but not over 400 W (provided for in subheading 8509.40.00).

**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:**

An electric juice extractor consists of a plastic dome-shaped container and housing, a stainless steel cutter blade, and a strainer powered by an electric motor. Juice extractors chop the fruits and vegetables into small pieces and then toss them against a spinning bowl to separate the fiber from the juice. The proponent's product has a 2-speed electric motor with wattage rated over 300 watts (W) but not over 400 W, and a pulse function to process fruits and vegetables for short periods. It features a plastic cup with a pulp bin and a transparent lid with latch to open and close the container. The principal import source of juice extractors is China.

**Estimated effect on customs revenue:**

<b>HTS subheading: 8509.40.00</b>					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
<del>Col. 1-General rate of duty</del>					
Col. 1-General rate of duty	4.2%	4.2%	4.2%	4.2%	4.2%
Estimated value <i>dutiable</i> imports	\$3,155,000	\$3,155,000	\$3,155,000	\$3,155,000	\$3,155,000
Customs revenue loss	\$132,510	\$132,510	\$132,510	\$132,510	\$132,510

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

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<sup>2</sup> Access to an electronic copy of this memorandum is available at [http://usitc.gov/tata/hts/other/rel\\_doc/bill\\_reports/index.htm](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?
		(Yes/No)		
Hamilton Beach/Proctor-Silex (Proponent) Tripp Dillard, 804-418-7759	08/09/2006	No	No	No
Applica, Inc. Harry D. Schulman, 888-677-7251	08/17/2006	No	No	No
Back to Basics Co. Mark Beesley, 801-523-6600	08/17/2006	No	Yes	Yes
Conair Corp. Leandro P. Rizzuto, 203-975-4600	08/11/2006	No	No	No
Jarden Consumer Solutions Rocky Rockingham, 561-912-4371	08/21/2006	No	No	No
National Presto Industries MaryJo Cohen, 715-839-2121	08/14/2006	No	Yes	Yes
Salton, Inc. Gary Nash, 866-373-5866	08/07/2006	No	No	No

**Technical comments:<sup>3</sup>**

It is suggested that the article description be modified as shown on page 1, to describe the covered products more clearly.

<sup>3</sup> 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. 3294

To suspend temporarily the duty on electric juice extractors greater than 300 watts but less than 400 watts.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 26, 2006

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

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## A BILL

To suspend temporarily the duty on electric juice extractors greater than 300 watts but less than 400 watts.

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. ELECTRIC JUICE EXTRACTORS GREATER THAN**

4 **300 WATTS BUT LESS THAN 400 WATTS.**

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

“	9902.85.16	Electric juice extractors greater than 300 watts but less than 400 watts (provided for in subheading 8509.40.00) .....	Free	No change	No change	On or before 12/31/2009	”.
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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.

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