



MEMORANDUM ON PROPOSED TARIFF LEGISLATION of the 112th Congress

Date approved

I. Background

Bill number:

Sponsor name:

Sponsor state:

Interested entity:

Name

City

State

Other bills on product (112th Congress only):

Nature of bill:

Expiration date:

Current or previous chapter 99 heading:

Retroactive date:

CAS number (if applicable):

Industry analyst:

Telephone:

Tariff Affairs contact:

Telephone:

Note:

1. Access to an electronic copy of this memorandum is available at http://www.usitc.gov/tariff_affairs/congress_reports/.
2. In regard to the country(ies) of origin listed in section III, this report focuses on dutiable imports and does not take into account any tariff preference programs or special rates of duty.

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

Parts or accessories of instruments or apparatus for measuring or checking electrical quantities, such instruments or apparatus specially designed for telecommunications (provided for in subheading 9030.90.88) (but not including subassemblies containing one or more printed circuit assemblies for such instruments or apparatus (provided for in subheading 9030.90.88)).

Description above compared with bill as introduced:

- Same
 Different (see Technical Comments section)

III. Other product information, including uses/applications and source(s) of imports

The subject products are various parts and accessories that are used in instruments and apparatus that measure and check electrical quantities (excluding subassemblies containing one or more printed circuit assemblies) and specially designed for telecommunications (provided for in subheading 9030.90.88). Malaysia is the leading U.S. import supplier of products classified in this HTS subheading.

IV. Estimated effect on customs revenue

Subject product HTS subheading(s)	9030.90.88				
Item	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Col.1-general rate of duty (%)	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7
Estimated value of <i>dutiable</i> imports (\$)	8,000,000	8,000,000	8,000,000	8,000,000	8,000,000
Customs revenue loss (\$)	136,000	136,000	136,000	136,000	136,000

Note: Customs revenue loss is provided for 5 years, although the effective period of the proposed legislation may differ. Regarding the HTS subheading listed in the article description of the bill, the Commission may express an opinion on the HTS classification of a product to facilitate consideration of the bill. However, by law, only U.S. Customs and Border Protection is authorized to issue a binding ruling on this matter. The Commission believes that Customs should be consulted prior to enactment of the bill.

Dutiable imports were based on (more than one may apply):

- Official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce
 Provided by industry sources
 Industry information
 Commission estimates

Duty reduction notes:

- This bill is not a duty reduction
 This bill is a temporary duty reduction. Rates are shown below.

Col.1-general duty rate (%) Temporary rate (%) Percentage point reduction (%)

V. Technical comments

None

VI. Continuation

Suggested Article Description... -- continued:

If enacted, the tariff relief provided for in this bill would be available to any entity that imports the product that is covered by the bill.

VII. Contacts with domestic firms/organizations

	# Firm/organization and contact name	Telephone number	Claims same or competing product made in the United States	Submission attached	Opposition noted
1	Agilent Technologies, Inc. (Interested entity) Frank Orlandella	202-772-3588	No	No	No
2	B & K Precision Corp. Jorg Hesser	714-291-9095	No	No	No
3	EIS, Inc. Larry Griffin	678-255-3600	No	No	No
4	Elenco Electronics, Inc. James Cecchin	847-541-3800	No	No	No
5	LeCroy Corp. Shannon Harrington	845-425-2000	No	No	No
6	National Electrical Manufacturers Association Craig Updyke	703-841-3200	No	No	No
7	National Instruments Corp. Don Phillips	512-794-0100	No	No	No
8	Sencore Manufacturing Services Dana Nachreiner	866-324-0461	No	No	No
9	TechAmerica Christopher E. Wilson	202-682-4451	No	No	No

112TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 4393

To extend the temporary suspension of duty on parts or accessories of instruments or apparatus for measuring or checking electrical quantities.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 18, 2012

Mr. HONDA introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

A BILL

To extend the temporary suspension of duty on parts or accessories of instruments or apparatus for measuring or checking electrical quantities.

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. PARTS OR ACCESSORIES OF INSTRUMENTS OR**
4 **APPARATUS FOR MEASURING OR CHECKING**
5 **ELECTRICAL QUANTITIES.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Heading 9902.23.86 of the Har-
7 monized Tariff Schedule of the United States (relating to
8 parts or accessories of instruments or apparatus for meas-
9 uring or checking electrical quantities) is amended by

1 striking the date in the effective period column and insert-
2 ing “12/31/2015”.

3 (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendment made by
4 subsection (a) applies to goods entered, or withdrawn from
5 warehouse for consumption, on or after the 15th day after
6 the date of the enactment of this Act.

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