



## 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/](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)):**

Liquid crystal display (LCD) panel assemblies for use in LCD direct view televisions (provided for in subheading 9013.80.90)

(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.)

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 product, liquid crystal display (LCD) panel assemblies, consists of a liquid crystal layer fitted between two sheets or plates of glass or plastic, whether or not fitted with electrical connections. The existing tariff heading requires that the LCD panel assemblies be imported for use in LCD direct view televisions (TVs), the most common type of televisions sold today. There is no known U.S. production of LCD panel assemblies for LCD projection type televisions. Korea is the leading supplier of this product.

**IV. Estimated effect on customs revenue**

Table with 6 columns: Subject product HTS subheading(s), 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017. Rows include Col.1-general rate of duty, Estimated value of dutiable imports, and Customs revenue loss.

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**

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## 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	Sony, Inc. (Interested entity) Christine Mulvihill	202-429-3653	No	No	No
	2	LG Display Jennifer Mulveny	202-471-3234	No	No	No
	3	Advanced Digital Optics, Inc. Milton Lee	805-497-1771, x 240	No	No	No
	4	Texas Instruments Cynthia Johnson	202-628-3133	No	No	No
	5	U.S. Display Consortium Bob Pinnel	408-277-2400	No	No	No

112TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# H. R. 5550

To extend the temporary suspension of duty on liquid crystal display (LCD) panel assemblies.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 8, 2012

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

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## A BILL

To extend the temporary suspension of duty on liquid crystal display (LCD) panel assemblies.

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. LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY (LCD) PANEL ASSEM-**  
4 **BLIES.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Heading 9902.85.21 of the Har-  
6 monized Tariff Schedule of the United States (relating to  
7 liquid crystal display (LCD) panel assemblies) is amended  
8 by striking the date in the effective period column and  
9 inserting “12/31/2015”.

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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