117TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. R. 7010

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

A BILL

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- 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. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Emergency Relief from
- 5 Duties Act".

1	SEC. 2. EMERGENCY WAIVER OF COUNTERVAILING AND
2	ANTIDUMPING DUTIES RELATING TO FER
3	TILIZER OR FERTILIZER INGREDIENTS.
4	(a) Petition.—Any covered party may petition the
5	Commission to waive countervailing duties or antidumping
6	duties assessed for covered merchandise under title VII
7	of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1671 et seq.), or
8	renew any such waiver, if there is an emergency situation
9	that—
10	(1) limits the production in the United States
11	of that merchandise in a manner that causes eco-
12	nomic hardship for users of that merchandise or
13	merchandise made from that merchandise; or
14	(2) would result in a supply and demand dis-
15	ruption that substantially increases the price of that
16	merchandise or merchandise made from that mer-
17	chandise.
18	(b) Public Comment.—The Commission shall per-
19	mit the public to submit comments concerning any petition
20	for a waiver or renewal under subsection (a) for a period
21	of not less than 30 days.
22	(c) Final Decision on Waiver or Renewal.—
23	Not later than 30 days after the close of a public comment
24	period under subsection (b) concerning a petition for a
25	waiver or renewal under subsection (a) the Commission

1	shall issue a final decision concerning that waiver or re-
2	newal.
3	(d) Period of Waiver.—Any waiver or renewal
4	under this section shall be for a period of one year.
5	(e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:
6	(1) Commission.—The term "Commission"
7	means the United States International Trade Com-
8	mission.
9	(2) COVERED MERCHANDISE.—The term "cov-
10	ered merchandise" means any fertilizer or ingredient
11	used to make fertilizer.
12	(3) COVERED PARTY.—The term "covered
13	party" means any of the following:
14	(A) An interested party, as that term is
15	defined in section 771(9) of the Tariff Act of
16	1930 (19 U.S.C. 1677(9)), that is a United
17	States person.
18	(B) A coalition or trade association rep-
19	resentative of agricultural producers or growers
20	in the United States if those producers or grow-
21	ers utilize covered merchandise subject to coun-
22	tervailing duties or antidumping duties assessed
23	under title VII of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19
24	U.S.C. 1671 et seq.) or merchandise made from

covered merchandise subject to those duties.

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1	(4) Emergency situation.—The term "emer-
2	gency situation" includes the following:
3	(A) Acts of God, such as severe acts of na-
4	ture or weather events including floods, fires,
5	earthquakes, hurricanes, and explosions.
6	(B) War, acts of terrorism, and epidemics.
7	(C) Acts of governmental authorities such
8	as expropriation, condemnation, and changes in
9	laws and regulations.
10	(D) Strikes and labor disputes.
11	(E) Major accidents.
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