

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20436

**MEMORANDUM ON PROPOSED TARIFF LEGISLATION
of the 110th Congress¹**

[Date approved: March 27, 2008]²

Bill No. and sponsor: H.R. 4482 (Mr. Joe Courtney of Connecticut).

Proponent name,³ location: Warren Corporation, Stafford Springs, CT.

Other bills on product (110th Congress only): None.

Nature of bill: Extension of temporary duty suspension through December 31, 2011.

Retroactive effect: None.

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

Camel hair, not processed in any manner beyond the degreased or carbonized condition (provided for in subheading 5102.19.20).

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:

Camel hair is a specialty animal hair that is often used in its original tan color. The camel hair covered by this bill is degreased and/or carbonized. Degreasing removes the grease and dirt from the animal hair, while carbonization removes vegetable matter from the hair. Such camel hair is often used in the production of yarns, which are woven into fabrics. Such camel hair is imported under HTS subheading 5102.19.20, which covers hair of the camel, not processed in any manner beyond the degreased or carbonized condition. U.S. imports under HTS subheading 5102.19.20 totaled \$23,517 in 2007. Imports from China accounted for 99 percent of the total.

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

³ The sponsor/proponent did not identify any additional beneficiaries of this bill.

Estimated effect on customs revenue:

HTS subheading: 5102.19.20					
	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Col. 1-General rate of duty (AVE) <u>1/</u>	5¢/ clean kilo (0.3%)				
Estimated value <i>dutiable</i> imports	\$1000	\$1000	\$1000	\$1000	\$1000
Customs revenue loss <u>2/</u>	\$0	\$3	\$3	\$3	\$3

1/ The AVE is the ad valorem equivalent of a specific or compound duty rate expressed as a percent, using the most recent import data available.

2/ There is an existing duty suspension under HTS heading 9902.12.24 that expires on December 31, 2009. Therefore, there will be no customs revenue loss related to this bill in 2009.

Source of estimated dutiable import data: Commission estimates.

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)	
Warren Corporation (Proponent) Lisa Cornish, 860-684-2766 (ext. 113)	2/22/2008	No	Yes	No
American Manufacturing Trade Action Coalition Sara Ormand, 202-452-0866	2/28/2008	No	Yes	No
Hanora Spinning Gerald Beyer, Fax: 401-765-6991	2/26/2008	No	No	No
Jagger Brothers David Jagger, 207-324-5622	2/26/2008	No	No	No
Kent Manufacturing Mark Kent, 864-878-6367 (ext. 2525)	2/26/2008	No	No	No
National Council of Textile Organizations David Trumbull, 202-822-8026	2/26/2008	No	No	No
National Textile Association David Trumbull, 617-542-8220	2/26/2008	No	Yes	No
Tailored Clothing Association David Starr, dastarr@wms-jen.com	2/26/2008	No	No	No
Victor Woollen Products, Ltd. Terry Winkler	2/26/2008	No	No	No

Technical comments:⁴

None.

⁴ 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.

110TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 4482

To extend the temporary suspension of duty on camel hair, not processed in any manner beyond the degreased or carbonized condition.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 12, 2007

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

A BILL

To extend the temporary suspension of duty on camel hair, not processed in any manner beyond the degreased or carbonized condition.

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. CAMEL HAIR, NOT PROCESSED IN ANY MANNER**
4 **BEYOND THE DEGREASED OR CARBONIZED**
5 **CONDITION.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Heading 9902.12.24 of the Har-
7 monized Tariff Schedule of the United States is amended
8 by striking “12/31/2009” and inserting “12/31/2011”.

9 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
10 subsection (a) applies with respect to goods entered, or

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

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