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H. R. 3778

To amend the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States to provide duty-free treatment for, and clarify the classification of, machines and components used in the manufacture of digital versatile discs (DVDs).

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 1, 2000

Mr. COLLINS (for himself, Mr. KUYKENDALL, Mr. BOEHNER, and Mr. MATSUI) 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. DUTY-FREE TREATMENT FOR MACHINES AND**
4 **COMPONENTS USED IN THE MANUFACTURE**
5 **OF DVDS.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subheadings 8477.10.40 and
7 8479.89.85 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the

1 United States are each amended by striking “video laser
2 discs” and inserting “digital versatile discs”.

3 (b) U.S. NOTE.—The additional U.S. Notes to chap-
4 ter 84 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United
5 States are amended by adding at the end the following
6 new note:

7 “4. Notwithstanding notes 2, 3, and 4 of section XVI, ma-
8 chines and components used for the manufacture of
9 digital versatile discs under subheading 8479.89.85,
10 and parts thereof, whether imported separately or as
11 a whole, include mastering machines which are com-
12 prised of one or more of the following machines or
13 components: ashing machines, lapping machines, cen-
14 ter hole punching machines, glass polishing machines,
15 glass cleaning machines, in-line system machines,
16 laser encoder machines, electrolytic plating machines,
17 and electrolytic cleaning machines. Machines for the
18 manufacture of digital versatile discs under sub-
19 heading 8479.89.85 also include replication machines
20 which are comprised of one or more of the following
21 machines or components: bonding machines, alu-
22 minum sputter machines, gold sputter machines,
23 coater machines, stacker machines, molds, inspection
24 machines, control panels, interface units, and optical
25 laser scanners.”.

1 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
2 subsections (a) and (b) apply with respect to goods en-
3 tered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on
4 or after the 15th day after the date of the enactment of
5 this Act.

