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S. 1871

To authorize the negotiation of a Free Trade Agreement with Chile, and to provide for expedited congressional consideration of such an agreement.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. BAUCUS introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

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 “United States-Chile
5 Free Trade Agreement Act of 1999”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress makes the following findings:

8 (1) Economic growth in the United States has
9 been considerably enhanced by bilateral agreements
10 to lower barriers to United States exports.

1 (2) Increased trade and economic growth are
2 not ends in themselves. Trade and economic growth
3 should enhance the welfare and quality of life of all
4 citizens of the United States and Chile.

5 (3) Countries that open their domestic markets,
6 remove barriers to foreign direct investment, and
7 promote free enterprise empower their citizens to al-
8 leviate poverty and maintain social and environ-
9 mental values.

10 (4) Chile has participated fully in World Trade
11 Organization programs and policies which promote
12 open trade.

13 (5) At the 1996 World Trade Organization
14 Ministerial in Singapore, Chile reaffirmed its com-
15 mitment to internationally recognized core labor
16 standards.

17 **SEC. 3. UNITED STATES POLICY WITH RESPECT TO TRADE.**

18 It is the policy of the United States to seek the elimi-
19 nation of tariff and nontariff barriers in order to achieve
20 more open market access, on a reciprocal basis, to inter-
21 nationally traded goods and service, through bilateral free
22 trade agreements with like-minded countries. Such agree-
23 ments should address the following:

24 (1) National treatment and market access for
25 agricultural and industrial products.

1 (2) Rules for determining which goods originate
2 in the territory of the United States and Chile.

3 (3) Customs procedures that facilitate trade
4 and collection of trade statistics, while ensuring the
5 validity of claims for preferential treatment.

6 (4) Science-based, nondiscriminatory sanitary,
7 phytosanitary, and technical standards, including
8 voluntary standards.

9 (5) Safeguard provisions for industries that
10 have sustained or are threatened with serious eco-
11 nomic injury from import surges.

12 (6) Government procurement procedures.

13 (7) National treatment and rights of establish-
14 ment for foreign direct investors.

15 (8) National treatment and market access for
16 traded services, including consumption of services
17 abroad, cross-border provision of services, rights of
18 establishment of commercial presence, and the move-
19 ment of natural persons.

20 (9) Protection of intellectual property.

21 (10) Transparency of legal and regulatory re-
22 gimes.

23 (11) Measures to promote electronic commerce.

1 (12) Trade-related environmental measures,
 2 and the potential for both favorable and adverse en-
 3 vironmental impacts.

4 (13) Adherence to internationally recognized
 5 core labor standards.

6 **SEC. 4. NEGOTIATION OF A FREE TRADE AGREEMENT WITH**
 7 **CHILE.**

8 Subject to section 5, the President is authorized to
 9 enter into an agreement with Chile consistent with the pol-
 10 icy described in section 3, and the provisions of section
 11 151(c) of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2191(c)) shall
 12 apply with respect to a bill to implement such agreement.

13 **SEC. 5. INTRODUCTION AND FAST TRACK CONSIDERATION**
 14 **OF IMPLEMENTING BILL.**

15 (a) INTRODUCTION IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
 16 AND SENATE.—When the President submits to Congress
 17 a bill to implement a trade agreement described in section
 18 4, the bill shall be introduced (by request) in the House
 19 of Representatives and the Senate as described in section
 20 151(c) of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2191(c)).

21 (b) PERMISSIBLE CONTENT IN IMPLEMENTING LEG-
 22 ISLATION.—A bill to implement a trade agreement de-
 23 scribed in section 4 shall contain provisions that are nec-
 24 essary to implement the trade agreement, and may include

1 trade-related labor and environmental protection stand-
2 ards.

3 (c) APPLICABILITY OF FAST TRACK PROCEDURES.—
4 Section 151 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2191)
5 is amended—

6 (1) in subsection (b)(1), by inserting “section 5
7 of the United States-Chile Free Trade Agreement
8 Act of 1999,” after “the Omnibus Trade and Com-
9 petitiveness Act of 1988,”; and

10 (2) in subsection (c)(1), by inserting “or under
11 section 5 of the United States-Chile Free Trade
12 Agreement Act of 1999,” after “the Uruguay Round
13 Agreements Act,”.

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