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To amend section 304 of the Tariff Act of 1930 with respect to the marking of imported home furniture.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 1, 2005

Mr. EHLERS (for himself and Mr. McHUGH) 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. MARKING OF IMPORTED HOME FURNITURE.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 304 of the Tariff Act of
5 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1304) is amended—

6 (1) by redesignating subsections (i), (j), (k),
7 and (l) as (j), (k), (l), and (m), respectively; and

8 (2) by inserting after subsection (h) the fol-
9 lowing new subsection:

1 “(i) MARKING OF HOME FURNITURE.—No exception
2 shall be made under subsection (a)(3) of this section with
3 respect to home furniture, each piece of which shall have,
4 in addition to the permanent marking required by sub-
5 section (a), a hang tag or paper label affixed in such a
6 manner that a retail purchaser viewing the piece of
7 unpackaged furniture can identify the country of origin
8 on initial inspection without rotating, turning, or tilting
9 the piece of home furniture. The hang tag or paper label
10 shall be at least 70 square centimeters in size, shall be
11 affixed in such a manner that it remains on the piece of
12 home furniture until the piece reaches the ultimate retail
13 consumer, and shall not be affixed to the back or under-
14 side of the piece of furniture.”; and

15 (3) in subsection (k), as so redesignated, by
16 striking “subsection (i)” and inserting “subsection
17 (j)”.

18 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
19 this section shall apply to articles entered, or withdrawn
20 from warehouse for consumption, on or after the date that
21 is 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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