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To provide for duty-free treatment of certain recreational performance
outerwear, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 15, 2015

Ms. AYOTTE (for herself, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. BLUNT, Mr.
MERKLEY, and Mrs. SHAHEEN) introduced the following bill; which was
read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

A BILL

To provide for duty-free treatment of certain recreational
performance outerwear, and for other purposes.

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 Optimal
5 Use of Trade to Develop Outerwear and Outdoor Recre-
6 ation Act” or the “U.S. OUTDOOR Act”.

7 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

8 Congress finds the following:

1 (1) The outdoor industry generates
2 \$646,000,000,000 in consumer spending annually
3 and directly supports 6,000,000 jobs.

4 (2) Outdoor activities are vitally important to
5 the health and well-being of the people of the United
6 States.

7 (3) Duty rates on recreational performance ap-
8 parel are among the highest duty rates imposed by
9 the United States Government, with duties on some
10 recreational performance apparel as high as 28.2
11 percent.

12 (4) The duties currently imposed by the United
13 States on recreational performance apparel were set
14 in an era during which high rates of duty were in-
15 tended to protect the production of other apparel in
16 the United States, and before the technologies and
17 innovations that create today's recreational perform-
18 ance apparel industry were developed.

19 (5) In July 2007, the United States Inter-
20 national Trade Commission confirmed, in USITC
21 Publication 3937, that recreational performance ap-
22 parel produced in the United States makes up less
23 than 1 percent of the total recreational performance
24 apparel market.

1 (6) The elimination of duties on the importation
 2 of certain recreational performance apparel would
 3 provide an economic benefit to United States con-
 4 sumers of outdoor products and would promote in-
 5 creased participation in healthy and active lifestyles.

6 **SEC. 3. APPAREL ARTICLES AND ACCESSORIES CLASSIFI-**
 7 **ABLE UNDER CHAPTER 62 OF THE HAR-**
 8 **MONIZED TARIFF SCHEDULE OF THE UNITED**
 9 **STATES.**

10 (a) NOTES.—The Additional U.S. Notes to chapter
 11 62 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United
 12 States are amended—

13 (1) in Additional U.S. Note 2—

14 (A) by striking “For the purposes of sub-
 15 headings” and all that follows through
 16 “6211.20.15” and inserting “For purposes of
 17 this chapter”;

18 (B) by striking “garments classifiable in
 19 those subheadings” and inserting “a garment”;
 20 and

21 (C) by striking “D 3600-81” and inserting
 22 “D 3779-81”; and

23 (2) by adding at the end the following new
 24 notes:

1 “3. (a) For purposes of this chapter, the term ‘re-
 2 reational performance outerwear’ means trousers (includ-
 3 ing, but not limited to, paddling pants, ski or snowboard
 4 pants, and ski or snowboard pants intended for sale as
 5 parts of ski-suits), coveralls and bib overalls, and jackets
 6 (including, but not limited to, full zip jackets, paddling
 7 jackets, ski jackets, and ski jackets intended for sale as
 8 parts of ski-suits), windbreakers, and similar articles (in-
 9 cluding padded, sleeveless jackets) composed of fabrics of
 10 cotton, wool, hemp, bamboo, silk, or manmade fiber, or
 11 a combination of such fibers, that are either water resist-
 12 ant or treated with plastics, or both, with critically sealed
 13 seams, and with 5 or more of the following features:

14 “(i) Insulation for cold weather protection.

15 “(ii) Pockets, at least one of which has a
 16 zippered, hook and loop, or other type of closure.

17 “(iii) Elastic, drawcord, or other means of
 18 tightening around the waist or leg hems, including
 19 hidden leg sleeves with a means of tightening at the
 20 ankle for trousers and tightening around the waist
 21 or bottom hem for jackets.

22 “(iv) Venting, not including grommet(s).

23 “(v) Articulated elbows or knees.

1 “(vi) Reinforcement in one of the following
2 areas: the elbows, shoulders, seat, knees, ankles, or
3 cuffs.

4 “(vii) Weatherproof closure at the waist or
5 front.

6 “(viii) Multi-adjustable hood or adjustable col-
7 lar.

8 “(ix) Adjustable powder skirt, inner protective
9 skirt, or adjustable inner protective cuff at sleeve
10 hem.

11 “(x) Construction at the arm gusset that uti-
12 lizes fabric, design, or patterning to allow radial arm
13 movement.

14 “(xi) Odor control technology.

15 The term ‘recreational performance outerwear’ does not
16 include occupational outerwear.

17 “(b) For purposes of this Note, the following terms
18 have the following meanings:

19 “(i) The term ‘treated with plastics’ refers to
20 textile fabrics impregnated, coated, covered, or lami-
21 nated with plastics, as described in Note 2 to chap-
22 ter 59.

23 “(ii) The term ‘sealed seams’ means seams that
24 have been covered by means of taping, gluing, bond-
25 ing, cementing, fusing, welding, or a similar process

1 so that water cannot pass through the seams when
2 tested in accordance with the current version of
3 AATCC Test Method 35.

4 “(iii) The term ‘critically sealed seams’
5 means—

6 “(A) for jackets, windbreakers, and similar
7 articles (including padded, sleeveless jackets),
8 sealed seams that are sealed at the front and
9 back yokes, or at the shoulders, arm holes, or
10 both, where applicable; and

11 “(B) for trousers, overalls and bib overalls
12 and similar articles, sealed seams that are
13 sealed at the front (up to the zipper or other
14 means of closure) and back rise.

15 “(iv) The term ‘insulation for cold weather pro-
16 tection’ means insulation with either synthetic fill,
17 down, a laminated thermal backing, or other lining
18 for thermal protection from cold weather.

19 “(v) The term ‘venting’ refers to closeable or
20 permanent constructed openings in a garment (ex-
21 cluding front, primary zipper closures and grom-
22 met(s)) to allow increased expulsion of built-up heat
23 during outdoor activities. In a jacket, such openings
24 are often positioned on the underarm seam of a gar-
25 ment but may also be placed along other seams in

1 the front or back of a garment. In trousers, such
2 openings are often positioned on the inner or outer
3 leg seams of a garment but may also be placed along
4 other seams in the front or back of a garment.

5 “(vi) The term ‘articulated elbows or knees’ re-
6 fers to the construction of a sleeve (or pant leg) to
7 allow improved mobility at the elbow (or knee)
8 through the use of extra seams, darts, gussets, or
9 other means.

10 “(vii) The term ‘reinforcement’ refers to the use
11 of a double layer of fabric or section(s) of fabric that
12 is abrasion-resistant or otherwise more durable than
13 the face fabric of the garment.

14 “(viii) The term ‘weatherproof closure’ means a
15 closure (including, but not limited to, laminated or
16 coated zippers, storm flaps, or other weatherproof
17 construction) that has been reinforced or engineered
18 in a manner to reduce the penetration or absorption
19 of moisture or air through an opening in the gar-
20 ment.

21 “(ix) The term ‘multi-adjustable hood or ad-
22 justable collar’ means, in the case of a hood, a hood
23 into which is incorporated two or more draw cords,
24 adjustment tabs, or elastics, or, in the case of a col-
25 lar, a collar into which is incorporated at least one

1 draw cord, adjustment tab, elastic, or similar compo-
2 nent, to allow volume adjustments around a helmet,
3 or the crown of the head, neck, or face.

4 “(x) The terms ‘adjustable powder skirt’ and
5 ‘inner protective skirt’ refer to a partial lower inner
6 lining with means of tightening around the waist for
7 additional protection from the elements.

8 “(xi) The term ‘arm gusset’ means construction
9 at the arm of a gusset that utilizes an extra fabric
10 piece in the underarm, usually diamond- or tri-
11 angular-shaped, designed, or patterned to allow ra-
12 dial arm movement.

13 “(xii) The term ‘radial arm movement’ refers to
14 unrestricted, 180-degree range of motion for the
15 arm while wearing performance outerwear.

16 “(xiii) The term ‘odor control technology’
17 means the incorporation into a fabric or garment of
18 materials, including, but not limited to, activated
19 carbon, silver, copper, or any combination thereof,
20 capable of adsorbing, absorbing, or reacting with
21 human odors, or effective in reducing the growth of
22 odor-causing bacteria.

23 “(xiv) The term ‘occupational outerwear’ means
24 outerwear garments, including uniforms, designed or
25 marketed for use in the workplace or at a worksite

1 to provide durable protection from cold or inclement
 2 weather and/or workplace hazards, such as fire, elec-
 3 trical, abrasion, or chemical hazards, or impacts,
 4 cuts, punctures, or similar hazards.

5 “(c) Notwithstanding subdivision (b)(i) of this Note,
 6 for purposes of this chapter, Notes 1 and 2(a)(1) to chap-
 7 ter 59 and Note 1(c) to chapter 60 shall be disregarded
 8 in classifying goods as ‘recreational performance outer-
 9 wear’.

10 “(d) For purposes of this chapter, the importer of
 11 record shall maintain internal import records that specify
 12 upon entry whether garments claimed as recreational per-
 13 formance outerwear have an outer surface that is water
 14 resistant, treated with plastics, or a combination thereof,
 15 and shall further enumerate the specific features that
 16 make the garments eligible to be classified as recreational
 17 performance outerwear.”.

18 (b) TARIFF CLASSIFICATIONS.—Chapter 62 of the
 19 Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States is
 20 amended as follows:

21 (1) By striking subheading 6201.11.00 and in-
 22 serting the following, with the article description for
 23 subheading 6201.11 having the same degree of in-
 24 dentation as the article description for subheading

1 6201.11.00 (as in effect on the day before the date
2 of the enactment of this Act):

“	6201.11	Of wool or fine animal hair:				
	6201.11.05	Recreational performance outerwear	Free			52.9¢/kg + 58.5%
	6201.11.10	Other	41¢/kg + 16.3%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, P, PA, PE, SG) 8% (AU) 16.4¢/kg + 6.5% (OM)		52.9¢/kg + 58.5%
						”.

3 (2) By striking subheadings 6201.12.10 and
4 6201.12.20 and inserting the following, with the ar-
5 ticle description for subheading 6201.12.05 having
6 the same degree of indentation as the article descrip-
7 tion for subheading 6201.12.10 (as in effect on the
8 day before the date of the enactment of this Act):

“	6201.12.05	Recreational performance outerwear	Free		60%	
		Other:				
	6201.12.10	Containing 15 percent or more by weight of down and waterfowl plumage and of which down com- prises 35 percent or more by weight; containing 10 percent or more by weight of down	4.4%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 3.9% (AU)	60%	
	6201.12.20	Other	9.4%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 8% (AU)	90%	”.

9 (3) By striking subheadings 6201.13.10
10 through 6201.13.40 and inserting the following, with
11 the article description for subheading 6201.13.05
12 having the same degree of indentation as the article
13 description for subheading 6201.13.10 (as in effect

1 on the day before the date of the enactment of this
 2 Act):

“	6201.13.05	Recreational performance outerwear	Free		60%	
		Other:				
	6201.13.10	Containing 15 percent or more by weight of down and waterfowl plumage and of which down comprises 35 percent or more by weight; containing 10 percent or more by weight of down	4.4%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 3.9% (AU)	60%	
	6201.13.30	Other: Containing 36 percent or more by weight of wool or fine animal hair	49.7¢/kg + 19.7%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 8% (AU)	52.9¢/kg + 58.5%	
	6201.13.40	Other	27.7%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 8% (AU)	90%	”.

3 (4) By striking subheadings 6201.19.10 and
 4 6201.19.90 and inserting the following, with the ar-
 5 ticle description for subheading 6201.19.05 having
 6 the same degree of indentation as the article descrip-
 7 tion for subheading 6201.19.10 (as in effect on the
 8 day before the date of the enactment of this Act):

“	6201.19.05	Recreational performance outerwear	Free		35%	
		Other:				
	6201.19.10	Containing 70 percent or more by weight of silk or silk waste	Free		35%	
	6201.19.90	Other	2.8%	Free (AU, BH, CA, CL, CO, E*, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG)	35%	”.

9 (5) By striking subheadings 6201.91.10 and
 10 6201.91.20 and inserting the following, with the ar-

1 title description for subheading 6201.91.05 having
 2 the same degree of indentation as the article descrip-
 3 tion for subheading 6201.91.10 (as in effect on the
 4 day before the date of the enactment of this Act):

“	6201.91.05	Recreational performance out- erwear	Free		58.5%	
		Other:				
	6201.91.10	Padded, sleeveless jackets ..	8.5%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, P, PA, PE, SG) 7.6% (AU) 3.4% (OM)	58.5%	
	6201.91.20	Other	49.7¢/kg + 19.7%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, P, PA, PE, SG) 8% (AU) 19.8¢/kg + 7.8% (OM)	52.9¢/kg + 58.5%	”.

5 (6) By striking subheadings 6201.92.10
 6 through 6201.92.20 and inserting the following, with
 7 the article description for subheading 6201.92.05
 8 having the same degree of indentation as the article
 9 description for subheading 6201.92.10 (as in effect
 10 on the day before the date of the enactment of this
 11 Act):

“	6201.92.05	Recreational performance outerwear	Free		60%	
		Other:				
	6201.92.10	Containing 15 percent or more by weight of down and waterfowl plumage and of which down com- prises 35 percent or more by weight; containing 10 percent or more by weight of down	4.4%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 3.9% (AU)	60%	
	6201.92.15	Other: Water resistant	6.2%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 5.5% (AU)	37.5%	

6201.92.20	Other	9.4%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 8% (AU)	90%	”.
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1 (7) By striking subheadings 6201.93.10
2 through 6201.93.35 and inserting the following, with
3 the article description for subheading 6201.93.05
4 having the same degree of indentation as the article
5 description for subheading 6201.93.10 (as in effect
6 on the day before the date of the enactment of this
7 Act):

“	6201.93.05	Recreational performance out- erwear	Free		60%
		Other:			
	6201.93.10	Containing 15 percent or more by weight of down and waterfowl plumage and of which down comprises 35 percent or more by weight; containing 10 percent or more by weight of down	4.4%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 3.9% (AU)	60%
		Other:			
	6201.93.20	Padded, sleeveless jackets	14.9%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 8% (AU)	76%
		Other:			
	6201.93.25	Containing 36 percent or more by weight of wool or fine animal hair	49.5¢/kg + 19.6%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 8% (AU)	52.9¢/kg + 58.5%
		Other:			
	6201.93.30	Water resistant	7.1%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 6.3% (AU)	65%

6201.93.35	Other	27.7%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 8% (AU)	90%	”.
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1 (8) By striking subheadings 6201.99.10 and
2 6201.99.90 and inserting the following, with the ar-
3 ticle description for subheading 6201.99.05 having
4 the same degree of indentation as the article descrip-
5 tion for subheading 6201.99.10 (as in effect on the
6 day before the date of the enactment of this Act):

“	6201.99.05	Recreational performance outerwear	Free		35%	
		Other:				
	6201.99.10	Containing 70 percent or more by weight of silk or silk waste	Free		35%	
	6201.99.90	Other	4.2%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, E*, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 3.7% (AU)	35%	”.

7 (9) By striking subheading 6202.11.00 and in-
8 serting the following, with the article description for
9 subheading 6202.11 having the same degree of in-
10 dentation as the article description for subheading
11 6202.11.00 (as in effect on the day before the date
12 of the enactment of this Act):

“	6202.11	Of wool or fine animal hair:				
	6202.11.05	Recreational performance outerwear	Free		46.3¢/kg + 58.5%	
	6202.11.10	Other	41¢/kg + 16.3%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, P, PA, PE, SG) 8% (AU) 16.4¢/kg + 6.5% (OM)	46.3¢/kg + 58.5%	”.

1 (10) By striking subheadings 6202.12.10 and
 2 6202.12.20 and inserting the following, with the ar-
 3 ticle description for subheading 6202.12.05 having
 4 the same degree of indentation as the article descrip-
 5 tion for subheading 6202.12.10 (as in effect on the
 6 day before the date of the enactment of this Act):

“	6202.12.05	Recreational performance outerwear	Free		60%	
		Other:				
	6202.12.10	Containing 15 percent or more by weight of down and waterfowl plumage and of which down comprises 35 percent or more by weight; containing 10 percent or more by weight of down	4.4%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 3.9% (AU)	60%	
	6202.12.20	Other	8.9%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 8% (AU)	90%	”.

7 (11) By striking subheadings 6202.13.10
 8 through 6202.13.40 and inserting the following, with
 9 the article description for subheading 6202.13.05
 10 having the same degree of indentation as the article
 11 description for subheading 6202.13.10 (as in effect
 12 on the day before the date of the enactment of this
 13 Act):

“	6202.13.05	Recreational performance out- erwear	Free		60%	
		Other:				

6202.13.10	Containing 15 percent or more by weight of down and waterfowl plumage and of which down comprises 35 percent or more by weight; containing 10 percent or more by weight of down	4.4%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 3.9% (AU)	60%	
6202.13.30	Other: Containing 36 percent or more by weight of wool or fine animal hair	43.5¢/kg + 19.7%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 8% (AU)	46.3¢/kg + 58.5%	
6202.13.40	Other	27.7%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 8% (AU)	90%	”.

1 (12) By striking subheadings 6202.19.10 and
2 6202.19.90 and inserting the following, with the ar-
3 ticle description for subheading 6202.19.05 having
4 the same degree of indentation as the article descrip-
5 tion for subheading 6202.19.10 (as in effect on the
6 day before the date of the enactment of this Act):

“	6202.19.05	Recreational performance outerwear	Free		35%	
		Other:				
	6202.19.10	Containing 70 percent or more by weight of silk or silk waste	Free		35%	
	6202.19.90	Other	2.8%	Free (AU, BH, CA, CL, CO, E*, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG)	35%	”.

7 (13) By striking subheadings 6202.91.10 and
8 6202.91.20 and inserting the following, with the ar-
9 ticle description for subheading 6202.91.05 having
10 the same degree of indentation as the article descrip-

1 tion for subheading 6202.91.10 (as in effect on the
2 day before the date of the enactment of this Act):

“	6202.91.05	Recreational performance out- erwear	Free		58.5%	
		Other:				
	6202.91.10	Padded, sleeveless jackets ..	14%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, P, PA, PE, SG) 8% (AU) 5.6% (OM)	58.5%	
	6202.91.20	Other	36¢/kg + 16.3%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, P, PA, PE, SG) 8% (AU) 14.4¢/kg + 6.5% (OM)	46.3¢/kg + 58.5%	”.

3 (14) By striking subheadings 6202.92.10
4 through 6202.92.20 and inserting the following, with
5 the article description for subheading 6202.92.05
6 having the same degree of indentation as the article
7 description for subheading 6202.92.10 (as in effect
8 on the day before the date of the enactment of this
9 Act):

“	6202.92.05	Recreational performance outerwear	Free		60%	
		Other:				
	6202.92.10	Containing 15 percent or more by weight of down and waterfowl plumage and of which down com- prises 35 percent or more by weight; containing 10 percent or more by weight of down	4.4%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 3.9% (AU)	60%	
		Other:				
	6202.92.15	Water resistant	6.2%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 5.5% (AU)	37.5%	
	6202.92.20	Other	8.9%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 8% (AU)	90%	”.

1 (15) By striking subheadings 6202.93.10
2 through 6202.93.50 and inserting the following, with
3 the article description for subheading 6202.93.05
4 having the same degree of indentation as the article
5 description for subheading 6202.93.10 (as in effect
6 on the day before the date of the enactment of this
7 Act):

“	6202.93.05	Recreational performance out- erwear	Free		60%	
		Other:				
	6202.93.10	Containing 15 percent or more by weight of down and waterfowl plumage and of which down comprises 35 percent or more by weight; containing 10 percent or more by weight of down	4.4%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 3.9% (AU)	60%	
		Other:				
	6202.93.20	Padded, sleeveless jackets	14.9%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 8% (AU)	76%	
		Other:				
	6202.93.40	Containing 36 percent or more by weight of wool or fine animal hair	43.4¢/kg + 19.7%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 8% (AU)	46.3¢/kg + 58.5%	
		Other:				
	6202.93.45	Water resistant	7.1%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 6.3% (AU)	65%	
		Other	27.7%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 8% (AU)	90%	”.

8 (16) By striking subheadings 6202.99.10 and
9 6202.99.90 and inserting the following, with the ar-

1 title description for subheading 6202.99.05 having
 2 the same degree of indentation as the article descrip-
 3 tion for subheading 6202.99.10 (as in effect on the
 4 day before the date of the enactment of this Act):

“	6202.99.05	Recreational performance outerwear	Free		35%	
		Other:				
	6202.99.10	Containing 70 percent or more by weight of silk or silk waste	Free		35%	
	6202.99.90	Other	2.8%	Free (AU, BH, CA, CL, CO, E*, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG)	35%	”.

5 (17) By striking subheadings 6203.41 and
 6 6203.41.05, and the superior text to subheading
 7 6203.41.05, and inserting the following, with the ar-
 8 ticle description for subheading 6203.41 having the
 9 same degree of indentation as the article description
 10 for subheading 6203.41 (as in effect on the day be-
 11 fore the date of the enactment of this Act):

“	6203.41	Of wool or fine animal hair:				
	6203.41.05	Recreational performance outerwear	Free		52.9¢/kg + 58.5%	
		Trousers, breeches and shorts:				
	6203.41.10	Trousers and breeches, containing elastomeric fiber, water resistant, without belt loops, weigh- ing more than 9 kg per dozen	7.6%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, P, PA, PE, SG) 6.8% (AU) 3% (OM)	52.9¢/kg + 58.5%	”.

12 (18) By striking subheadings 6203.42.10
 13 through 6203.42.40 and inserting the following, with
 14 the article description for subheading 6203.42.05

1 having the same degree of indentation as the article
 2 description for subheading 6203.42.10 (as in effect
 3 on the day before the date of the enactment of this
 4 Act):

“	6203.42.05	Recreational performance outerwear	Free		60%	
		Other:				
	6203.42.10	Containing 15 percent or more by weight of down and waterfowl plumage and of which down comprises 35 percent or more by weight; containing 10 percent or more by weight of down	Free		60%	
		Other:				
	6203.42.20	Bib and brace overalls	10.3%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 8% (AU)	90%	
	6203.42.40	Other	16.6%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 8% (AU) 11.6% (KR)	90%	”.

5 (19) By striking subheadings 6203.43.10
 6 through 6203.43.40 and inserting the following, with
 7 the article description for subheading 6203.43.05
 8 having the same degree of indentation as the article
 9 description for subheading 6203.43.10 (as in effect
 10 on the day before the date of the enactment of this
 11 Act):

“	6203.43.05	Recreational performance outerwear	Free		60%	
		Other:				
	6203.43.10	Containing 15 percent or more by weight of down and waterfowl plumage and of which down comprises 35 percent or more by weight; containing 10 percent or more by weight of down	Free		60%	
		Other:				
		Bib and brace overalls:				

6203.43.15	Water resistant	7.1%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 6.3% (AU)	65%	
6203.43.20	Other	14.9%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 8% (AU)	76%	
6203.43.25	Other: Certified hand-loomed and folklore products ..	12.2%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 8% (AU)	76%	
6203.43.30	Other: Containing 36 percent or more by weight of wool or fine animal hair	49.6¢/kg + 19.7%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 8% (AU)	52.9¢/kg + 58.5%	
6203.43.35	Other: Water resistant trousers or breeches	7.1%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 6.3% (AU) 2.8% (KR)	65%	
6203.43.40	Other	27.9%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 8% (AU) 11.1% (KR)	90%	”.

1 (20) By striking subheadings 6203.49 through
2 6203.49.80 and inserting the following, with the ar-
3 ticle description for subheading 6203.49 having the
4 same degree of indentation as the article description
5 for subheading 6203.49 (as in effect on the day be-
6 fore the date of the enactment of this Act):

“	6203.49	Of other textile materials:				
	6203.49.05	Recreational performance outerwear	Free		76%	
		Other:				
		Of artificial fibers:				

6203.49.10	Bib and brace overalls	8.5%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 7.6% (AU)	76%	
6203.49.15	Trousers, breeches and shorts: Certified hand-loomed and folklore products	12.2%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 8% (AU)	76%	
6203.49.20	Other	27.9%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 8% (AU)	90%	
6203.49.40	Containing 70 percent or more by weight of silk or silk waste	Free		35%	
6203.49.80	Other	2.8%	Free (AU, BH, CA, CL, CO, E*, IL, JO, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 1.1% (KR)	35%	”.

1 (21) By striking subheadings 6204.61.10 and
2 6204.61.90 and inserting the following, with the ar-
3 ticle description for subheading 6204.61.05 having
4 the same degree of indentation as the article descrip-
5 tion for subheading 6204.61.10 (as in effect on the
6 day before the date of the enactment of this Act):

“	6204.61.05	Recreational performance outerwear	Free		58.5%	
		Other:				
	6204.61.10	Trousers and breeches, con- taining elastomeric fiber, water resistant, without belt loops, weighing more than 6 kg per dozen	7.6%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, P, PA, PE, SG) 3% (OM) 6.8% (AU)	58.5%	
	6204.61.90	Other	13.6%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, P, PA, PE, SG) 5.4% (OM) 8% (AU)	58.5%	”.

1 (22) By striking subheadings 6204.62.10
 2 through 6204.62.40 and inserting the following, with
 3 the article description for subheading 6204.62.05
 4 having the same degree of indentation as the article
 5 description for subheading 6204.62.10 (as in effect
 6 on the day before the date of the enactment of this
 7 Act):

“	6204.62.05	Recreational performance outerwear Other:	Free		60%	
	6204.62.10	Containing 15 percent or more by weight of down and waterfowl plumage and of which down com- prises 35 percent or more by weight; containing 10 percent or more by weight of down	Free		60%	
		Other:				
	6204.62.20	Bib and brace overalls	8.9%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 8% (AU)	90%	
		Other:				
	6204.62.30	Certified hand-loomed and folklore products	7.1%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, E, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 6.3% (AU)	37.5%	
	6204.62.40	Other	16.6%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 8% (AU) 11.6% (KR)	90%	”.

8 (23) By striking subheadings 6204.63.10
 9 through 6204.63.35 and inserting the following, with
 10 the article description for subheading 6204.63.05
 11 having the same degree of indentation as the article
 12 description for subheading 6204.63.10 (as in effect
 13 on the day before the date of the enactment of this
 14 Act):

“	6204.63.05	Recreational performance outerwear	Free		60%	
		Other:				
	6204.63.10	Containing 15 percent or more by weight of down and waterfowl plumage and of which down comprises 35 percent or more by weight; containing 10 percent or more by weight of down	Free		60%	
		Other:				
		Bib and brace overalls:				
	6204.63.12	Water resistant	7.1%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 6.3% (AU)	65%	
	6204.63.15	Other	14.9%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 8% (AU)	76%	
	6204.63.20	Certified hand-loomed and folklore products	11.3%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, E, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 8% (AU)	76%	
	6204.63.25	Other: Containing 36 percent or more by weight of wool or fine animal hair	13.6%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 8% (AU)	58.5%	
	6204.63.30	Other: Water resistant trousers or breeches	7.1%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 6.3% (AU)	65%	
	6204.63.35	Other	28.6%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 8% (AU) 11.4% (KR)	90%	”.

1 (24) By striking subheadings 6204.69 through
2 6204.69.90 and inserting the following, with the ar-
3 ticle description for subheading 6204.69 having the
4 same degree of indentation as the article description
5 for subheading 6204.69 (as in effect on the day be-
6 fore the date of the enactment of this Act):

“	6204.69	Of other textile materials:				
	6204.69.05	Recreational performance outerwear	Free		76%	
		Other:				
		Of artificial fibers:				
	6204.69.10	Bib and brace overalls	13.6%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 8% (AU)	76%	
		Trousers, breeches and shorts:				
	6204.69.20	Containing 36 percent or more by weight of wool or fine animal hair	13.6%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 8% (AU)	58.5%	
	6204.69.25	Other	28.6%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 8% (AU)	90%	
		Of silk or silk waste:				
	6204.69.40	Containing 70 percent or more by weight of silk or silk waste	1.1%	Free (AU, BH, CA, CL, CO, E, IL, J, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG)	65%	
	6204.69.60	Other	7.1%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, E*, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 6.3% (AU)	65%	
	6204.69.90	Other	2.8%	Free (AU, BH, CA, CL, CO, E*, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG)	35%	”.

1 (25) By striking subheadings 6210.40.30 and
2 6210.40.50 and inserting the following, with the ar-
3 ticle description for subheading 6210.40.05 having
4 the same degree of indentation as the article descrip-
5 tion for subheading 6210.40.30 (as in effect on the
6 day before the date of the enactment of this Act):

“	6210.40.05	Recreational performance outerwear	Free		65%	
		Other:				

6210.40.30	Having an outer surface impregnated, coated, covered or laminated with rubber or plastics material which completely obscures the underlying fabric	3.8%	Free (AU, BH, CA, CL, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PE, SG)	65%	
6210.40.50	Other	7.1%	Free (AU, BH, CA, CL, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PE, SG)	65%	”.

1 (26) By striking subheadings 6210.50.30 and
2 6210.50.50 and inserting the following, with the ar-
3 ticle description for subheading 6210.50.05 having
4 the same degree of indentation as the article descrip-
5 tion for subheading 6210.50.30 (as in effect on the
6 day before the date of the enactment of this Act):

“	6210.50.05	Recreational performance outerwear	Free		65%	
		Other:				
	6210.50.30	Having an outer surface impregnated, coated, covered or laminated with rubber or plastics material which completely obscures the underlying fabric	3.8%	Free (AU, BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PE, SG)	65%	
	6210.50.50	Other	7.1%	Free (AU, BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PE, SG)	65%	”.

7 (27) By striking subheading 6211.32.00 and in-
8 serting the following, with the article description for
9 subheading 6211.32 having the same degree of in-
10 dentation as the article description for subheading
11 6211.32.00 (as in effect on the day before the date
12 of the enactment of this Act):

“	6211.32	Of cotton:				
	6211.32.05	Recreational performance outerwear	Free		90%	

6211.32.10	Other	8.1%	Free (AU, BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG)	90%	”.
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1 (28) By striking subheading 6211.33.00 and in-
2 serting the following, with the article description for
3 subheading 6211.33 having the same degree of in-
4 dentation as the article description for subheading
5 6211.33.00 (as in effect on the day before the date
6 of the enactment of this Act):

“	6211.33	Of man-made fibers:				
	6211.33.05	Recreational performance outerwear	Free		76%	
	6211.33.10	Other	16%	Free (AU, BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, P, PA, PE, SG)		
				6.4% (OM)	76%	”.

7 (29) By striking subheadings 6211.39.05
8 through 6211.39.90 and inserting the following, with
9 the article description for subheading 6211.39.05
10 having the same degree of indentation as the article
11 description for subheading 6211.39.05 (as in effect
12 on the day before the date of the enactment of this
13 Act):

“	6211.39.05	Recreational performance outerwear	Free		58.5%	
		Other:				
	6211.39.10	Of wool or fine animal hair	12%	Free (AU, BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, P, PA, PE, SG)	58.5%	
				4.8% (OM)		
	6211.39.20	Containing 70 percent or more by weight of silk or silk waste	0.5%	Free (AU, BH, CA, CL, CO, E, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG)	35%	

6211.39.90	Other	2.8%	Free (AU, BH, CA, CL, CO, E*, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG)	35%	”.
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1 (30) By striking subheading 6211.42.00 and in-
2 serting the following, with the article description for
3 subheading 6211.42 having the same degree of in-
4 dentation as the article description for subheading
5 6211.42.00 (as in effect on the day before the date
6 of the enactment of this Act):

“	6211.42	Of cotton:				
	6211.42.05	Recreational performance outer- wear	Free		90%	
	6211.42.10	Other	8.1%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG)		
				7.2% (AU)	90%	”.

7 (31) By striking subheading 6211.43.00 and in-
8 serting the following, with the article description for
9 subheading 6211.43 having the same degree of in-
10 dentation as the article description for subheading
11 6211.43.00 (as in effect on the day before the date
12 of the enactment of this Act):

“	6211.43	Of man-made fibers:				
	6211.43.05	Recreational performance outer- wear	Free		90%	
	6211.43.10	Other	16%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, P, PA, PE, SG)		
				8% (AU)		
				6.4% (OM)	90%	”.

13 (32) By striking subheadings 6211.49.10
14 through 6211.49.90 and inserting the following, with

1 the article description for subheading 6211.49.05
 2 having the same degree of indentation as the article
 3 description for subheading 6211.49.10 (as in effect
 4 on the day before the date of the enactment of this
 5 Act):

“	6211.49.05	Recreational performance outerwear	Free		35%	
		Other:				
	6211.49.10	Containing 70 percent or more by weight of silk or silk waste	1.2%	Free (AU, BH, CA, CL, CO, E, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG)	35%	
	6211.49.41	Of wool or fine animal hair	12%	Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, IL, JO, KR, MA, MX, P, PA, PE, SG)	58.5%	
	6211.49.90	Other	7.3%	4.8% (OM) 8% (AU) Free (BH, CA, CL, CO, E, IL, JO, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG)		
				6.5% (AU) 2.9% (KR)	35%	”.

6 **SEC. 4. SUSTAINABLE TEXTILE AND APPAREL RESEARCH**
 7 **FUND.**

8 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established in the
 9 Treasury of the United States the Sustainable Textile and
 10 Apparel Research Fund (in this section referred to as the
 11 “STAR Fund”).

12 (b) DEPOSITS.—There shall be deposited into the
 13 STAR Fund amounts equal to the fees collected on rec-
 14 reational performance outerwear under subsection (d).

15 (c) BOARD OF DIRECTORS.—

16 (1) IN GENERAL.—The STAR Fund shall be
 17 administered by a board of directors (in this section

1 referred to as the “Board”) composed of 5 individ-
2 uals familiar with the recreational performance out-
3 erwear textile and apparel industry, including the
4 production of raw materials and the finished prod-
5 ucts thereof, who shall be appointed by the Presi-
6 dent.

7 (2) MEMBERS.—Not fewer than 2 of the indi-
8 viduals appointed to the Board under paragraph (1)
9 shall be representatives of entities involved in the
10 production of fabrics or raw materials for use in rec-
11 reational performance outerwear in the United
12 States, and not fewer than 2 of such individuals
13 shall be representatives of entities involved in the
14 production of recreational performance outerwear
15 that pay the fees imposed on the importation of such
16 outerwear under subsection (d).

17 (3) INELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS.—The President
18 may not appoint individuals to the Board under
19 paragraph (1) who are representatives of entities not
20 involved in the production of recreational perform-
21 ance outerwear, such as customs brokers, converters,
22 forwarders, or shippers.

23 (d) FUNDING.—

24 (1) FEE.—In addition to any other fee author-
25 ized by law, the Secretary of the Treasury shall

1 charge and collect upon entry, or withdrawal from
2 warehouse for consumption, a fee of 1.5 percent of
3 the appraised value of imported garments (as deter-
4 mined under section 402 of the Tariff Act of 1930
5 (19 U.S.C. 1401a)) that are classifiable under the
6 Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States as
7 recreational performance outerwear (as defined in
8 Additional U.S. Note 2 to chapter 61 and Additional
9 U.S. Note 3 to chapter 62 of such Schedule).

10 (2) EXCLUSIONS.—The assessment of fees
11 under paragraph (1) shall not apply to imports of
12 recreational performance outerwear from the fol-
13 lowing:

14 (A) Any country that is party to a free
15 trade agreement with the United States that—

16 (i) is in effect on the day before the
17 date of the enactment of this Act; or

18 (ii) enters into force under the Bipar-
19 tisan Trade Promotion Authority Act of
20 2002 (19 U.S.C. 3801 et seq.), or similar
21 subsequent authority.

22 (B) Any country designated as a CBTPA
23 beneficiary country under section 213(b)(5)(B)
24 of the Caribbean Basin Economic Recovery Act
25 (19 U.S.C. 2703(b)(5)(B)).

1 (C) Any country designated as a bene-
2 ficiary sub-Saharan African country under sec-
3 tion 506A(a)(1) of the Trade Act of 1974 (19
4 U.S.C. 2466a(a)(1)), if the President has deter-
5 mined that the country has satisfied the re-
6 quirements of section 113(a) of the African
7 Growth and Opportunity Act (19 U.S.C.
8 3722(a)), and has published that determination
9 in the Federal Register.

10 (3) TERMINATION.—The fee under paragraph
11 (1) shall apply only to entries, or withdrawals from
12 warehouse for consumption, that are made during
13 the 10-year period beginning on the date of the en-
14 actment of this Act.

15 (e) DISTRIBUTION.—

16 (1) QUARTERLY DISTRIBUTIONS.—The Sec-
17 retary of Commerce, upon a majority vote of the
18 Board, taken annually, shall, not later than 60 days
19 after the end of each calendar quarter, distribute
20 amounts in the STAR Fund to one or more entities
21 that the Board considers appropriate to use the
22 funds in accordance with subsection (f).

23 (2) ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS.—An entity
24 may receive funds under paragraph (1) only if the
25 entity—

1 (A) is an organization described in section
2 501(c)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986
3 that is exempt from tax under section 501(a) of
4 such Code;

5 (B) is an organization having at least 10
6 years of experience providing applied research,
7 technology development, and education to all
8 parts of the textile and apparel supply chain,
9 with a research capability demonstrated
10 through past research programs involving sup-
11 ply chain management, product development, fit
12 specifications, operations management, lean
13 manufacturing, or digital supply chain tech-
14 nologies on behalf of the textile and sewn prod-
15 ucts industries in the United States; and

16 (C) is comprised of members representing
17 the following segments of the supply chain:

18 (i) One or more of the following types
19 of producers: fiber, yarn, or fabric pro-
20 ducers in the United States.

21 (ii) Apparel producers in the United
22 States.

23 (iii) Retail companies in the United
24 States.

1 (f) USE OF FUNDS.—Funds distributed under sub-
2 section (e) may be used only to conduct applied research,
3 development, and education activities to enhance the com-
4 petitiveness of businesses in the United States in clean,
5 eco-friendly apparel, other textile and apparel articles, and
6 sewn-product design and manufacturing.

7 (g) REQUIREMENTS.—The Secretary of Commerce
8 may impose such requirements on the use of funds distrib-
9 uted under subsection (e) as the Secretary considers nec-
10 essary to ensure compliance with subsection (f), including
11 requiring reporting and assurances by the entities using
12 the funds.

13 (h) REPORTS TO CONGRESS.—The Secretary of Com-
14 merce shall submit to Congress a report, not later than
15 April 1 of each year, explaining in detail how amounts in
16 the STAR Fund were distributed under subsection (e) and
17 used under subsection (f) during the preceding calendar
18 year.

19 **SEC. 5. STAGED RATE REDUCTIONS.**

20 Any staged reduction of a rate of duty proclaimed
21 by the President before the effective date of this Act,
22 that—

23 (1) would take effect after such effective date,
24 and

1 (2) would, but for an amendment made by this
2 Act, apply to a subheading of the Harmonized Tariff
3 Schedule of the United States amended by this Act,
4 applies to the corresponding rate of duty set forth in such
5 amendment.

6 **SEC. 6. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

7 This Act and the amendments made by this Act
8 shall—

9 (1) take effect on the 15th day after the date
10 of the enactment of this Act; and

11 (2) apply to articles entered, or withdrawn from
12 warehouse for consumption, on or after such day.

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