103D CONGRESS 1ST SESSION H. R. 1236

To correct the tariff rate inversion on certain iron and steel pipe and tube products.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 4, 1993

Mr. REGULA (for himself, Mr. BORSKI, Mr. VISCLOSKY, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. LI-PINSKI, Mr. RIDGE, and Mr. BROWN of Ohio) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

A BILL

To correct the tariff rate inversion on certain iron and steel pipe and tube products.

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 "Pipe and Tube In-5 verted Tariff Correction Act of 1993".

6 SEC. 2. NONALLOY IRON AND STEEL PIPES AND TUBES.

7 (a) The superior article description for subheadings
8 7306.30.30 and 7306.30.50 of the Harmonized Tariff
9 Schedule of the United States (19 U.S.C. 3007) is amend-

ed to read as follows: "Having a wall thickness of 1.65
 mm or more, not galvanized:".

3 (b) Subheadings 7306.30.30 and 7306.30.50 are re4 designated as subheadings 7306.30.35 and 7306.30.55,
5 respectively.

6 (c) Subheadings 7306.10.10, 7306.20.60, 7306.30.55
7 (as redesignated by paragraph (b)), and 7306.90.10 are
8 each amended—

9 (1) by striking "1.9 percent" in column 1 Gen-10 eral and inserting "4.9 percent"; and

11 (2) by striking "5.5 percent" in column 2 and12 inserting "20 percent".

13 (d) Subheadings 7306.20.20 and 7306.60.10 are 14 each amended—

(1) by striking "0.5 percent" in column 1 General and inserting "4.9 percent"; and

17 (2) by striking "1 percent" in column 2 and in-18 serting "20 percent".

(e) Chapter 73 is amended by inserting in numerical
order the following new subheading having the same degree of indentation as the superior text for subheadings
7306.30.35 and 7306.30.55 (as redesignated by paragraph (b)):

 7306.30.60
 Having a wall thickness of 1.65mm or more, galvanized
 6.5%
 Free (C, E, IL) 1.1% (CA)
 21.5%

1 SEC. 3. ALLOY IRON AND STEEL PIPES AND TUBES.

2 (a) Subheadings 7306.50.50 and 7306.90.50 are each
3 amended—

4 (1) by striking "4.9 percent" in column 1 Gen-5 eral and inserting "9.5 percent"; and

6 (2) by striking "10 percent" in column 2 and
7 inserting "28 percent".

8 SEC. 4. STAINLESS STEEL PIPES AND TUBES.

9 (a) Subheading 7306.40.10 is amended by striking
10 "7.6 percent" in column 1 General and inserting "10.1
11 percent".

12 (b) Subheading 7306.40.50 is amended—

13 (1) by striking "5 percent" in column 1 General14 and inserting "10.1 percent"; and

15 (2) by striking "11 percent" in column 2 and16 inserting "29 percent".

17 SEC. 5. NEGOTIATING AUTHORITY.

In the event that a claim for compensation under any provision of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade or any other trade agreement to which the United States is a party is made by any Contracting Party to that agreement as a result of the amendments made by this section, the United States Trade Representative is authorized to negotiate such reasonable compensation as may be appropriate.

1 SEC. 6. EFFECTIVE DATE.

The amendments made by this Act shall apply with respect to articles entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after the fifteenth day after the date of enactment of this Act.