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To amend the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States to suspend temporarily the duty on certain manufacturing equipment.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. SPENCE (for himself, Mr. SPRATT, and Mr. GRAHAM) 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. SUSPENSION OF DUTY ON CERTAIN MANUFAC-**
4 **TURING EQUIPMENT.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter II of chapter 99 of
6 the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States is
7 amended by inserting in numerical sequence the following
8 new headings:

9902.84.79	Calendaring or other rolling machines for rubber, valued at not less than \$2,200,000 each, numerically controlled, or parts thereof (provided for in subheading 8420.10.90, 8420.91.90, or 8420.99.90) and material holding devices or similar attachments thereto	Free	No change	No change	On or before 12/31/2000
9902.84.81	Shearing machines used to cut metallic tissue capable of a straight cut of 5 m or more, valued at not less than \$750,000 each, numerically controlled (provided for in subheading 8462.31.00)	Free	No change	No change	On or before 12/31/2000
9902.84.83	Machine tools for working wire of iron or steel for use in products provided for in subheading 4011.20.10, valued at not less than \$375,000 each, numerically controlled, or parts thereof (provided for in subheading 8463.30.00)	Free	No change	No change	On or before 12/31/2000
9902.84.85	Extruders of a type used for processing rubber, valued at not less than \$2,000,000 each, numerically controlled, or parts thereof (provided for in subheading 8477.20.00 or 8477.90.80)	Free	No change	No change	On or before 12/31/2000
9902.84.87	Machinery for molding, re-treading, or otherwise forming uncured, unvulcanized rubber for use in processing products provided for in subheading 4011.20.10, valued at not less than \$800,000 each, capable of holding cylinders measuring 114 centimeters or more in diameter, numerically controlled, or parts thereof (provided for in subheading 8477.51.00 or 8477.90.80)	Free	No change	No change	On or before 12/31/2000
9902.84.89	Sector mold press machines used for curing or vulcanizing rubber, valued at not less than \$1,000,000 each, weighing 135,000 kg or more, numerically controlled, or parts thereof (provided for in subheading 8477.90.80)	Free	No change	No change	On or before 12/31/2000
9902.84.91	Sawing machines, valued at not less than \$600,000 each, weighing 18,000 kg or more, for working cured, vulcanized rubber described in heading 4011 (provided for in subheading 8465.91.00)	Free	No change	No change	On or before 12/31/2000

1 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—

2 (1) GENERAL RULE.—The amendment made by
3 subsection (a) applies with respect to goods entered,

1 or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on
2 the date that is 15 days after the date of enactment
3 of this Act.

4 (2) RETROACTIVE APPLICATION TO CERTAIN
5 ENTRIES.—Notwithstanding section 514 of the Tar-
6 iff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1514) or any other provi-
7 sion of law, upon proper request filed with the Cus-
8 toms Service before the 90th day after the date of
9 enactment of this Act, any entry, or withdrawal
10 from warehouse for consumption, of any goods de-
11 scribed in subheading 9902.84.79, 9902.84.81,
12 9902.84.83, 9902.84.85, 9902.84.87, 9902.84.89, or
13 9902.84.91 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of
14 the United States (as added by subsection (a)) that
15 was made—

16 (A) on or after May 1, 1997; and

17 (B) before the 15th day after the date of
18 enactment of this Act;

19 shall be liquidated or reliquidated as though such
20 entry or withdrawal occurred on the date that is 15
21 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

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