H. R. 4358

To amend the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States to provide for equitable duty treatment for certain wool used in making suits.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

July 30, 1998

Mr. Houghton (for himself and Ms. Slaughter) 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. DUTY TREATMENT OF CERTAIN FABRICS.
- 4 (a) In General.—Subchapter II of chapter 99 of
- 5 the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States is
- 6 amended—
- 7 (1) by adding at the end of the U.S. notes the
- 8 following new note:

- 1 "13. For purposes of headings 9902.51.11 and
- 2 9902.51.12, the term 'suit' has the same meaning such
- 3 term has for purposes of headings 6203 and 6204."; and
- 4 (2) by inserting in numerical sequence the fol-
- 5 lowing new headings:

"	9902.51.11	Fabries, of carded or combed wool or fine animal hair, all the foregoing certified by the importer as 'Super 70's' or 'Super 80's' intended for use in making suits, suit-type jackets or trousers (provided for in subheadings 5111.11.70, 5111.11.90.00)	20.20	V. I	No shapes On on	0 15	
		5112.11.20, or 5112.19.90)	20.2%	No change	No change	On or before 12/31/2004	
	9902.51.12	Fabrics, of carded or combed wool or fine animal hair, all the foregoing certified by the importer as 'Super 90's' or higher grade intended for use in making suits, suit-type jackets or trousers (provided for in subheadings 5111.11.70, 5111.19.60,					
		5112.11.20, or 5112.19.90)	Free	Free (CA.H.MX)	No change	On or before 12/31/2004	,,

- 6 (b) STAGED RATE REDUCTION.—Any staged reduc-
- 7 tion of a rate of duty set forth in heading 6203.31.00 of
- 8 the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States that
- 9 is proclaimed by the President shall also apply to the cor-
- 10 responding rate of duty set forth in heading 9902.51.11
- 11 of such Schedule (as added by subsection (a)).
- 12 (c) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
- 13 subsection (a) apply with respect to goods entered, or
- 14 withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after
- 15 the 15th day after the date of enactment of this Act.