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H. R. 504

To redesignate the Special Textile Negotiator of the United States Trade Representative as the Chief Textiles Negotiator and confer the rank of Ambassador upon that position, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 17, 2007

Mr. HAYES (for himself, Mr. SPRATT, Mr. MCGOVERN, and Mr. COBLE) 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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Textile Negotiator Pro-
5 motion Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. CHIEF TEXTILES NEGOTIATOR.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 141 of the Trade Act of
8 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2171) is amended—

1 (1) in subsection (b)(2)—

2 (A) by striking “and one Chief Agricul-
3 tural Negotiator” and inserting “, one Chief
4 Agricultural Negotiator, and one Chief Textiles
5 Negotiator”;

6 (B) by striking “or the Chief Agricultural
7 Negotiator” and inserting “, the Chief Agricul-
8 tural Negotiator, or the Chief Textiles Nego-
9 tiator”; and

10 (C) by striking “and the Chief Agricultural
11 Negotiator” and inserting “, the Chief Agricul-
12 tural Negotiator, and the Chief Textiles Nego-
13 tiator”; and

14 (2) in subsection (c), by adding at the end the
15 following new paragraph:

16 “(6) The principal function of the Chief Tex-
17 tiles Negotiator shall be to conduct trade negotia-
18 tions and to enforce trade agreements relating to
19 United States textile and apparel products and serv-
20 ices. The Chief Textiles Negotiator shall be a vig-
21 orous advocate on behalf of United States textile
22 and apparel interests. The Chief Textiles Negotiator
23 shall perform such other functions as the United
24 States Trade Representative may direct.”.

25 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE; CONTINUATION IN OFFICE.—

1 (1) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made
2 by this subsection shall take effect on the date that
3 an individual nominated by the President to the po-
4 sition of Chief Textiles Negotiator of the United
5 States Trade Representative is confirmed by the
6 United States Senate.

7 (2) CONTINUATION IN OFFICE.—The individual
8 serving as Special Textile Negotiator of the United
9 States Trade Representative on the day before the
10 date of the enactment of this Act may serve in the
11 Chief Textiles Negotiator position established pursu-
12 ant to subsection (a) as Acting Chief Textiles Nego-
13 tiator until the date that an individual nominated to
14 such position by the President is confirmed by the
15 United States Senate.

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