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To extend the Generalized System of Preferences, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 2, 2011 Mr. CAMP (for himself, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. BRADY of Texas, and Mr. McDermott) introduced the following bill

> SEPTEMBER 6, 2011 Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

A BILL

To extend the Generalized System of Preferences, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
SECTION 1. EXTENSION OF GENERALIZED SYSTEM OF
PREFERENCES.
(a) EXTENSION.—Section 505 of the Trade Act of
1974 (19 U.S.C. 2465) is amended by striking "December

7 31, 2010" and inserting "July 31, 2013".

8 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—

| 1 | (1) IN GENERAL.—The amendment made by |
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| 2 | subsection (a) shall apply to articles entered on or |
| 3 | after the 15th day after the date of the enactment |
| 4 | of this Act. |
| 5 | (2) Retroactive application for certain |
| 6 | LIQUIDATIONS AND RELIQUIDATIONS.— |
| 7 | (A) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding sec- |
| 8 | tion 514 of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. |
| 9 | 1514) or any other provision of law and subject |
| 10 | to subparagraph (B), any entry of an article to |
| 11 | which duty-free treatment or other preferential |
| 12 | treatment under title V of the Trade Act of |
| 13 | 1974 would have applied if the entry had been |
| 14 | made on December 31, 2010, that was made— |
| 15 | (i) after December 31, 2010, and |
| 16 | (ii) before the 15th day after the date |
| 17 | of the enactment of this Act, |
| 18 | shall be liquidated or reliquidated as though |
| 19 | such entry occurred on the 15th day after the |
| 20 | date of the enactment of this Act. |
| 21 | (B) REQUESTS.—A liquidation or reliqui- |
| 22 | dation may be made under subparagraph (A) |
| 23 | with respect to an entry only if a request there- |
| 24 | for is filed with U.S. Customs and Border Pro- |
| 25 | tection not later than 180 days after the date |

| 1 | of the enactment of this Act that contains suffi- |
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| 2 | cient information to enable U.S. Customs and |
| 3 | Border Protection— |
| 4 | (i) to locate the entry; or |
| 5 | (ii) to reconstruct the entry if it can- |
| 6 | not be located. |
| 7 | (C) PAYMENT OF AMOUNTS OWED.—Any |
| 8 | amounts owed by the United States pursuant to |
| 9 | the liquidation or reliquidation of an entry of |
| 10 | an article under subparagraph (A) shall be |
| 11 | paid, without interest, not later than 90 days |
| 12 | after the date of the liquidation or reliquidation |
| 13 | (as the case may be). |
| 14 | (3) DEFINITION.—As used in this subsection, |
| 15 | the terms "enter" and "entry" include a withdrawal |
| 16 | from warehouse for consumption. |
| 17 | SEC. 2. MERCHANDISE PROCESSING FEES. |
| 18 | For the period beginning on October 1, 2011, and |
| 19 | ending on June 30, 2014, section 13031(a)(9) of the Con- |
| 20 | solidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 (19 |
| 21 | U.S.C. 58c(a)(9)) shall be applied and administered— |
| 22 | (1) in subparagraph (A), by substituting |
| 23 | "0.3464" for "0.21"; and |

(2) in subparagraph (B)(i), by substituting
"0.3464" for "0.21".

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