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H. R. 5873

To amend the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to modify the definition of the term “biobased product”.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 31, 2012

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania (for himself, Mr. SCHRADER, Mr. MCINTYRE, Mr. GOODLATTE, Mr. MICHAUD, Mr. OWENS, Mr. FLEMING, Mr. GRAVES of Georgia, Mr. RIBBLE, Mr. BONNER, Mr. JONES, Mr. DUFFY, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. TIPTON, Mr. WELCH, Mr. WOMACK, Mr. NUNNELEE, Mr. KISSELL, Mr. ROSS of Arkansas, Mr. SOUTHERLAND, Ms. PINGREE of Maine, Mr. BENISHEK, Mrs. EMERSON, Ms. SEWELL, Mrs. LUMMIS, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, and Mrs. ELLMERS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture

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 “Forest Products Fair-
5 ness Act of 2012”.

1 **SEC. 2. DEFINITION OF BIOBASED PRODUCT.**

2 Section 9001 of the Farm Security and Rural Invest-
3 ment Act of 2002 (7 U.S.C. 8101) is amended—

4 (1) by striking paragraph (4) and inserting the
5 following:

6 “(4) BIOBASED PRODUCT.—

7 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘biobased
8 product’ means a product determined by the
9 Secretary to be a commercial or industrial prod-
10 uct (other than food or feed) that is—

11 “(i) composed, in whole or in signifi-
12 cant part, of biological products, including
13 renewable domestic agricultural materials
14 and forestry materials; or

15 “(ii) an intermediate ingredient or
16 feedstock.

17 “(B) INCLUSION.—The term ‘biobased
18 product’, with respect to forestry materials, in-
19 cludes forest products that meet biobased con-
20 tent requirements, notwithstanding the market
21 share the product holds, the age of the product,
22 or whether the market for the product is new
23 or emerging.”;

24 (2) by redesignating paragraphs (9) through
25 (14) as paragraphs (10) through (15), respectively;
26 and

1 (3) by inserting after paragraph (8) the fol-
2 lowing:

3 “(9) FOREST PRODUCT.—

4 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘forest prod-
5 uct’ means a product made from materials de-
6 rived from the practice of forestry or the man-
7 agement of growing timber.

8 “(B) INCLUSIONS.—The term ‘forest prod-
9 uct’ includes—

10 “(i) pulp, paper, paperboard, pellets,
11 and wood products; and

12 “(ii) any recycled products derived
13 from forest materials.”.

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