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# S. 2613

To amend the Tariff Act of 1930 to permit duty drawbacks for certain jewelry exported to the United States Virgin Islands.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 23, 2000

Mr. GRAHAM introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

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## 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 DRAWBACK FOR CERTAIN JEWELRY.**

4       (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 313 of the Tariff Act of  
5 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1313) is amended by adding at the end  
6 the following new subsection:

7       “(x) JEWELRY EXPORTED TO THE UNITED STATES  
8 VIRGIN ISLANDS.—

9           “(1) GENERAL RULE.—Merchandise described  
10 in paragraph (2) shall be eligible for drawback under

1 subsection (j)(1), if duty was paid on the merchan-  
2 dise upon importation into the United States and  
3 the person claiming the drawback demonstrates that  
4 the merchandise has been exported and has entered  
5 the customs territory of the United States Virgin Is-  
6 lands.

7       “(2) MERCHANTISE DESCRIBED.—Merchandise  
8 described in this paragraph means jewelry, watches,  
9 watch straps, bands and bracelets, and parts thereof  
10 classifiable under chapter 71 or 91 of the Har-  
11 monized Tariff Schedule of the United States.”.

12       (b) APPLICATION TO FOREIGN TRADE ZONES.—Sec-  
13 tion 3(a) of the Act of June 18, 1934 (commonly known  
14 as the Foreign Trade Zones Act; 19 U.S.C. 81c(a)) is  
15 amended by striking the periods at the end and inserting  
16 the following: “: *Provided further*, That jewelry, watches,  
17 watch straps, bands and bracelets, and parts thereof clas-  
18 sifiable under chapter 71 or 91 of the Harmonized Tariff  
19 Schedule of the United States may be withdrawn from  
20 warehouse for entry into the commerce of the United  
21 States Virgin Islands without payment of duty.”.

22       (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
23 this section shall apply with respect to goods entered, or

- 1 withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after
- 2 the 15th day after the date of enactment of this Act.

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