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# S. 2722

To maintain and expand the steel import licensing and monitoring program.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 22, 2004

Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. SPECTER) 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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monitoring program.

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. MAINTENANCE AND EXPANSION OF STEEL IM-**  
4                       **PORT LICENSING AND MONITORING PRO-**  
5                       **GRAM.**

6       (a) MAINTENANCE OF PROGRAM.—The steel import  
7       licensing and monitoring program established by the Sec-  
8       retary of the Treasury and the Secretary of Commerce  
9       pursuant to the Memorandum signed by the President on  
10      March 5, 2002 (67 Fed. Reg. 10593 through 10597) (pur-  
11      suant to the authority of the President under section

1 203(g) of the Trade Act of 1974), shall, notwithstanding  
2 any other action taken by the President under section 203  
3 of the Trade Act of 1974 concerning the steel products  
4 described in the Memorandum, remain in effect and be  
5 established by the Secretary of Commerce as a permanent  
6 program.

7 (b) EXPANSION OF PROGRAM.—

8 (1) IN GENERAL.—In carrying out the program  
9 in accordance with subsection (a), the Secretary of  
10 the Treasury and the Secretary of Commerce shall  
11 expand the program to include all iron and steel,  
12 and all articles of iron or steel, described in para-  
13 graph (2). The import and licensing data made  
14 available to the public as part of this program shall  
15 be released based upon classifications at the tenth  
16 digit level of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the  
17 United States.

18 (2) IRON AND STEEL DESCRIBED.—The iron  
19 and steel, and articles of iron or steel, referred to in  
20 subparagraph (A) are the iron and steel, and articles  
21 of iron or steel, contained in the following headings  
22 and subheadings of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule  
23 of the United States:

24 (A) Each of the headings 7206 through  
25 7229 (relating to mill products).

1 (B) Each of the headings 7301 through  
 2 7307 (relating to rails, structurals, pipe and  
 3 tubes, and fittings and flanges).

4 (C) Heading 7308 (relating to fabricated  
 5 structurals).

6 (D) Subheading 7310.10.00 (relating to  
 7 barrels and drums).

8 (E) Heading 7312 (relating to strand and  
 9 rope).

10 (F) Heading 7313.00.00 (relating to  
 11 barbed and fence wire).

12 (G) Headings 7314, 7315, and 7317.00  
 13 (relating to fabricated wire).

14 (H) Heading 7318 (relating to industrial  
 15 fasteners).

16 (I) Heading 7326 (relating to fence posts).

17 (c) ADDITIONAL AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of the  
 18 Treasury and the Secretary of Commerce are hereby au-  
 19 thorized and directed to take such actions as are nec-  
 20 essary—

21 (1) to maintain the program described in sub-  
 22 section (a) in accordance with such subsection; and

23 (2) to expand, as necessary and appropriate,  
 24 such program in accordance with subsection (b).

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