## UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20436

# MEMORANDUM ON PROPOSED TARIFF LEGISLATION of the 109<sup>th</sup> Congress <sup>1</sup>

[Date approved: November 29, 2005]<sup>2</sup>

**Bill no. and sponsor:** H.R. 2479 (Mr. Earl Blumenauer of Oregon).

**Proponent name, location:** Bicycle Product Suppliers Association, Montgomeryville, PA.

Other bills on product (109th Congress only): None.

**Nature of bill:** Temporary duty suspension through December 31, 2008.

**Retroactive effect:** None.

Suggested article description(s) for enactment (including appropriate HTS subheading(s)):

Unicycles (provided for in subheading 8712.00.50).

| Check one: | X Same as that in bill as introduced.                                      |
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|            | Different from that in bill as introduced (see Technical comments section) |

#### Product information, including uses/applications and source(s) of imports:

A unicycle is a rideable machine with a single wheel. A unicycle has a seat mounted on a fork, which holds a twenty to twenty-six inch wheel. Cranks and pedals are mounted directly to the hub of the wheel. China and Taiwan are the leading suppliers of unicycles to the United States.

### **Estimated effect on customs revenue:**

| HTS subheading: <u>8712.00.50</u>       |             |             |             |             |             |  |  |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--|--|
| $\searrow$                              | 2005        | 2006        | 2007        | 2008        | 2009        |  |  |
| Col. 1-General rate of duty             | 3.7%        | 3.7%        | 3.7%        | 3.7%        | 3.7%        |  |  |
| Estimated value <i>dutiable</i> imports | \$8,000,000 | \$8,000,000 | \$8,000,000 | \$8,000,000 | \$8,000,000 |  |  |
| Customs revenue loss                    | \$296,000   | \$296,000   | \$296,000   | \$296,000   | \$296,000   |  |  |

Source of estimated dutiable import data: Commission estimates based on official U.S. Government statistics.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> An electronic copy of this memorandum is available at <a href="http://usitc.gov/tata/hts/other/rel\_doc/bill\_reports/index.htm">http://usitc.gov/tata/hts/other/rel\_doc/bill\_reports/index.htm</a>.

## Contacts with domestic firms/organizations (including the proponent):

| Name of firm/organization   | Date contacted | US production<br>of same or<br>competitive<br>product<br>claimed? | Submission attached? | Opposition noted? |
|---|----------------|---|----------------------|-------------------|
|   |                |   | (Yes/No)             |                   |
| Bicycle Product Suppliers Association<br>(Proponent)<br>Maureen Waddington 215-393-3144 | 09/15/2005     | No  | No                   | No                |
| Adventure Components info@adventurecomponents.com                                       | 09/21/2005     | No  | No                   | No                |
| American Classic sales@amclassic.com  | 09/21/2005     | No  | No                   | No                |
| Astrix Sports info@astrixsports.com   | 09/21/2005     | No  | No                   | No                |
| Avocet<br>Jerico Dobrinsky, 650-470-0478  | 09/30/2005     | No  | No                   | No                |
| Brew Bikes<br>brew1dude@skybest.com   | 09/21/2005     | No  | No                   | No                |
| Calfee Design craig@calfeedesign.com  | 09/21/2005     | No  | No                   | No                |
| Cane Creek Cycling Components info@canecreek.com  | 09/21/2005     | No  | No                   | No                |
| Castellano Designs<br>jc@castellanodesigns.com  | 09/21/2005     | No  | No                   | No                |
| Crank Brothers<br>Christina Orlandella,<br>christina@crankbrothers.com                  | 09/21/2005     | No  | No                   | No                |
| Curtlo Cycles iamcurtlo@aol.com   | 09/21/2005     | No  | No                   | No                |
| Custom Cycle Supply, Inc.<br>ccsbmx@aol.com   | 09/21/2005     | No  | No                   | No                |
| Easton Sports John Harrington, jharrington@eastonsports.com                             | 09/21/2005     | No  | No                   | No                |
| E.Thirteen Components<br>e13@e13components.com  | 09/21/2005     | No  | No                   | No                |
| Eko Sport, Inc. info@ekosport.com   | 09/21/2005     | No  | No                   | No                |

| Elite Bicycles info@elitebicycles.com                  | 09/21/2005 | No | No | No |
|--|------------|----|----|----|
| Felt Racing info@feltracing.com                        | 09/21/2005 | No | No | No |
| FMF BMX sales@fmfbmx.com                               | 09/21/2005 | No | No | No |
| Foes Fabrications info@foesracing.com                  | 09/21/2005 | No | No | No |
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| Griffen USA<br>griffenbikeusa@aol.com                  | 09/21/2005 | No | No | No |
| Heron Bicycles Todd Kuzma, todd@heronbicycles.com      | 09/21/2005 | No | No | No |
| Hope Technology USA info@hopetech.com                  | 09/21/2005 | No | No | No |
| Intense Cycles cyclesales@intensecycles.com            | 09/21/2005 | No | No | No |
| IRD interlocracing@aol.com                             | 09/21/2005 | No | No | No |
| Kelly Bike<br>Chris Kelly, chris@kellybike.com         | 09/21/2005 | No | No | No |
| Kestrel Bicycles info@kestrel-usa.com                  | 09/21/2005 | No | No | No |
| Kool-Stop Original<br>ksicalifornia@sbcglobal.net      | 09/21/2005 | No | No | No |
| Litespeed info@litespeed.com                           | 09/21/2005 | No | No | No |
| M2Racer<br>info@m2racer.com                            | 09/21/2005 | No | No | No |
| Maverick American Ed Kuh, ed@maverickbike.com          | 09/21/2005 | No | No | No |
| Maxm Components info@maxmcomponents.com                | 09/21/2005 | No | No | No |
| Moots Cycles info@moots.com                            | 09/21/2005 | No | No | No |
| Nobilette Cycles<br>Mark Nobilette, mnobilette@msn.com | 09/21/2005 | No | No | No |

| Odyssey<br>Nuno Oliveira, nunoo@odsseybmx.com                 | 09/21/2005 | No | No | No |
|---|------------|----|----|----|
| Parlee Cycles info@parleecycles.com                           | 09/21/2005 | No | No | No |
| Paul Component Engineering info@paulcomp.com                  | 09/21/2005 | No | No | No |
| Phil Wood & Co.<br>sales@philwood.com                         | 09/21/2005 | No | No | No |
| PowerCranks<br>Frank Day, fday@powercranks.com                | 09/21/2005 | No | No | No |
| Profile Design customerservice@profile-design.com             | 09/21/2005 | No | No | No |
| Racermate sales@velotron.com                                  | 09/21/2005 | No | No | No |
| Rav X info@ravx.com   | 09/21/2005 | No | No | No |
| Ritchey Designs<br>contact_us@ritcheylogic.com                | 09/21/2005 | No | No | No |
| Salsa Cycles<br>pman@salsacycles.com                          | 09/21/2005 | No | No | No |
| Scura Speed & Technology<br>Brian Scura, Brian@projectsst.com | 09/21/2005 | No | No | No |
| Seven Cycles info@sevencycles.com                             | 09/21/2005 | No | No | No |
| Sharp Sprockets<br>Bill Sharp, Bill@sharpsprockets.com        | 09/21/2005 | No | No | No |
| Sinister Bikes info@sinisterbikes.com                         | 09/21/2005 | No | No | No |
| Snafu BMX<br>Mike Collins, mike@revolution-ads.com            | 09/21/2005 | No | No | No |
| Soma Fabrications<br>somafab@aol.com                          | 09/21/2005 | No | No | No |
| SRAM sramusa@sram.com   | 09/21/2005 | No | No | No |
| SRP spr-info@waiteco.com                                      | 09/21/2005 | No | No | No |
| Staats Bicycles<br>Jason Halverson, jason@staatsbikes.com     | 09/21/2005 | No | No | No |
| Steelman Cycles info@steelmancycles.com                       | 09/21/2005 | No | No | No |

| Sun Ringle info@sunrims.com   | 09/21/2005 | No | No  | No |
|---|------------|----|-----|----|
| Supercross BMX info@supercrossbmx.com                                       | 09/21/2005 | No | No  | No |
| Surly Bikes derby@surlybikes.com)   | 09/21/2005 | No | No  | No |
| Terrible One info@terribleone.com   | 09/21/2005 | No | No  | No |
| Therapy Components shocktherapy@therapycomponents.com                       | 09/21/2005 | No | No  | No |
| True Temper Sports/Alpha Q<br>sales@alphaqbike.com                          | 09/21/2005 | No | No  | No |
| Vuelta USA sales@vueltausa.com  | 09/21/2005 | No | No  | No |
| Wald Manufacturing Co., Inc. sales@waldllc.com                              | 09/21/2005 | No | No  | No |
| White Industries info@whiteind.com  | 09/21/2005 | No | No  | No |
| Woodman Components USA woodmanusa@earthlink.net                             | 09/21/2005 | No | No  | No |
| Worksman Bicycle Brake Corp. International Mark Worksman, mworksman@aol.com | 09/21/2005 | No | No  | No |
| Wound Up Composite Cycles woundup@advancedcomposites.com                    | 09/21/2005 | No | No  | No |
| WTB, Inc. sales@wtb.com   | 09/21/2005 | No | No  | No |
| Zinn Cycles<br>Lennard Zinn, l.zinn@comcast.net                             | 09/21/2005 | No | Yes | No |
| Zipp Speed Weaponry<br>Rick Cox, rickcox@zipp.com                           | 09/21/2005 | No | No  | No |

**Technical comments:**<sup>3</sup> None.

The Commission may express an opinion on the HTS classification of a product to facilitate consideration of the bill. However, by law, only the U.S. Customs Service is authorized to issue a binding ruling on this matter. The Commission believes that the U.S. Customs Service should be consulted prior to enactment of the bill.

### 109TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

# H. R. 2479

To suspend temporarily the duty on certain bicycle parts.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

May 19, 2005

Mr. Blumenauer introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

## A BILL

To suspend temporarily the duty on certain bicycle parts.

- 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. CERTAIN BICYCLE PARTS.
- 4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter II of chapter 99 of
- 5 the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States is
- 6 amended by inserting in numerical sequence the following
- 7 new heading:

| " | 9902.87.12 | Unicycles (provided for in |      |           |           |              |    |
|---|------------|----------------------------|------|-----------|-----------|--------------|----|
|   |            | subheading 8712.00.50)     | Free | No change | No change | On or before |    |
|   |            |                            |      |           |           | 12/31/2008   | ". |

- 8 (b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
- 9 subsection (a) applies to goods entered, or withdrawn from

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

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