

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. 2481 (Mr. Earl Blumenauer of Oregon).

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

**Other bills on product (109<sup>th</sup> 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)):**

Bicycle wheel rims (provided for in subheading 8714.92.10).

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

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

A bicycle wheel rim is the outer metal hoop of a bicycle wheel that supports the tire but does not contain spokes or a hub. Taiwan is the leading supplier of bicycle wheel rims, followed by France and China.

**Estimated effect on customs revenue:**

<b>HTS subheading: <u>8714.92.10</u></b>					
<del> </del>	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Col. 1-General rate of duty	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%
Estimated value <i>dutiable</i> imports	\$12,000,000	\$13,000,000	\$14,000,000	\$15,000,000	\$16,000,000
Customs revenue loss	\$600,000	\$650,000	\$700,000	\$750,000	\$800,000

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

<sup>1</sup> Industry analyst preparing report: Ruben Mata (202-205-3403); Tariff Affairs contact: Jan Summers (202-205-2605).

<sup>2</sup> An electronic copy of this memorandum is available at [http://usitc.gov/tata/hts/other/rel\\_doc/bill\\_reports/index.htm](http://usitc.gov/tata/hts/other/rel_doc/bill_reports/index.htm).

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

Name of firm/organization	Date contacted	US production of same or competitive product claimed?	Submission attached?	Opposition noted?
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**Technical comments:**<sup>3</sup> None.

<sup>3</sup> 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. 2481

To suspend temporarily the duty on certain bicycle parts.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 19, 2005

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

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## 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:

“	9902.87.16	Bicycle wheel rims (provided for in subheading 8714.92.10) .....	Free	No change	No change	On or before 12/31/2008	”.
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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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