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The Honorable Dave Camp
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United States House of Representatives
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The Honorable Sander Levin
Ranking Member
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RE: Opposition to H.R. 5201

Dear Chairman Camp and Ranking Member Levin:

The American Manufacturing Trade Action Coalition (AMTAC) represents U.S. manufacturers of various types of textile and apparel products. We are writing to strongly oppose H.R. 5201, a bill to suspend temporarily the rate of duty on window shade material composed of 100% filament polyester yarns in a plain weave with a fabric weight of 480 grams per square meter with a foam backing of which 58% is a dispersion of polyurethane, acrylic and fluoropolymer, 40% is a white dispersion consisting of Titanium Dioxide dispersed in water and 2.0% is other auxiliaries (provided for in subheading 5903.90.25).

We are opposed to this bill because it grants duty relief to products that are made here in the United States. Copland Industries, based in Burlington, NC, produces the window shade material described in this bill. Granting duty-free treatment on the subject product would have a negative impact on Copland and their employees. As a result, we oppose the inclusion of H.R. 5201 in any final Miscellaneous Tariff Bill (MTB) package.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to comment on H.R. 5201. We greatly appreciate your noting our opposition to this bill.

Sincerely,



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