

CONTINUED SUSPENSION OF DUTY ON CRUDE CHICORY AND REDUCTION IN DUTY ON GROUND CHICORY

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Mr. LONG of Louisiana, from the Committee on Finance, submitted
the following

R E P O R T

[To accompany H.R. 12463]

The Committee on Finance, to which was referred the bill (H.R. 12463) to extend until June 30, 1969, the suspension of duty on crude chicory and the reduction in duty on ground chicory, having considered the same, reports favorably thereon without amendment and recommends that the bill do pass.

PURPOSE

The purpose of H.R. 12463 is to continue for a period of 3 years until the close of June 30, 1969, the existing suspension of duty on crude chicory roots and to continue for the same period the rate of duty of 2 cents per pound for chicory roots, ground or otherwise prepared.

GENERAL STATEMENT

Public Law 85-378, approved April 16, 1958, provided for the suspension of duty on crude chicory (except endive) for a period of 2 years. This legislation also provided that the duty on chicory, ground or otherwise prepared, be 2 cents per pound for the period during which the duty on crude chicory was suspended. Public Law 86-441, approved April 22, 1960, Public Law 86-479, approved June 1, 1960, and Public Law 88-49, approved June 29, 1963, successively extended the duty treatment provided under Public Law 85-378 for crude chicory and ground chicory. The Tariff Schedules of the United States continued this duty treatment by providing, effective for the period August 31, 1963, through June 30, 1966, that crude chicory

roots were to be free of duty (item 903.20) and that chicory roots ground or otherwise prepared were to be dutiable at the rate of 2 cents per pound (item 903.21).

No chicory has been grown in the United States since 1954, and domestic processors of chicory depend upon imports of crude chicory. The purpose of Public Law 85-378 and the extensions thereof was to assist domestic producers of ground chicory in competing with imports of the prepared product. Your committee is advised by the Tariff Commission that the conditions that prompted the original suspension of duty on crude chicory and the reduction in duty on ground chicory, and the extensions thereof under the above-cited acts, still prevail.

H.R. 12463 would continue for an additional period of 3 years, until the close of June 30, 1969, the tariff treatment now provided under items 903.20 and 903.21.

In addition to the informative report from the Tariff Commission, favorable reports were received with respect to H.R. 12463 from the Departments of State, Treasury, Commerce, and Labor.

CHANGES IN EXISTING LAW

In compliance with subsection 4 of rule XXIX of the Standing Rules of the Senate, changes in existing law made by the bill are shown as follows (existing law proposed to be omitted is enclosed in black brackets; new matter is printed in italics; existing law in which no change is proposed is shown in roman):

TARIFF ACT OF 1930

APPENDIX TO THE TARIFF SCHEDULES

Item	Articles	Rates of duty		Effective period
		1	2	
	PART I.—TEMPORARY LEGISLATION			
	SUBPART B.—TEMPORARY PROVISIONS AMENDING THE TARIFF SCHEDULES			
	Chicory roots (provided for in part 11A, schedule 1):			
903.20	Crude (item 160.30).....	Free	Free	On or before [6/30/66] 6/30/69
903.21	Ground or otherwise prepared (item 160.35).....	2¢ per lb.	2¢ per lb.	

