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To require the establishment of a working group to evaluate the food safety threat posed by beef and poultry imported from Brazil, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. TESTER introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

A BILL

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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. WORKING GROUP ON BEEF AND POULTRY IM-**
4 **PORTED FROM BRAZIL.**

5 (a) ESTABLISHMENT OF WORKING GROUP.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 120 days
7 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-
8 retary of Agriculture shall establish a working
9 group—

1 (A) to evaluate the food safety threat
2 posed by beef, beef products, poultry, and poul-
3 try products imported from Brazil; and

4 (B) to make recommendations to the Sec-
5 retary with respect to whether the importation
6 of beef, beef products, poultry, and poultry
7 products from Brazil into the United States
8 should be permitted.

9 (2) MEMBERSHIP.—The Secretary shall ensure
10 that the working group established under paragraph
11 (1) includes—

12 (A) experts on food safety; and

13 (B) representatives of U.S. Customs and
14 Border Protection and other Federal agencies
15 with responsibilities relating to international
16 trade.

17 (b) TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF IMPORTS.—Beef,
18 beef products, poultry, and poultry products imported
19 from Brazil may not enter the United States during the
20 period—

21 (1) beginning on the date of the enactment of
22 this Act; and

23 (2) ending on the date on which the working
24 group established under subsection (a)(1) submits to

- 1 the Secretary the recommendations required by sub-
- 2 paragraph (B) of that subsection.

