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S. 4008

To amend the Bipartisan Congressional Trade Priorities and Accountability Act of 2015 to require that any trade agreement subject to expedited procedures under that Act contain certain requirements relating to the origination of goods in nonmarket economy countries.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 18, 2020

Mr. CASEY 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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Market Economy
5 Sourcing Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. LIMITATION ON TRADE AUTHORITIES PROCEDURES**
2 **RELATING TO REQUIREMENTS ON CONTENT**
3 **OF GOODS FROM NONMARKET ECONOMY**
4 **COUNTRIES.**

5 Section 106(b) of the Bipartisan Congressional Trade
6 Priorities and Accountability Act of 2015 (19 U.S.C.
7 4205(b)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

8 “(7) LIMITATIONS ON PROCEDURES RELATING
9 TO ORIGINATION OF CONTENT OF GOODS FROM NON-
10 MARKET ECONOMY COUNTRIES.—

11 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The trade authorities
12 procedures shall not apply to an implementing
13 bill submitted with respect to a trade agreement
14 or trade agreements entered into under section
15 103(b) unless the rules of origin requirements
16 under such agreement or agreements—

17 “(i) with respect to rules of origin
18 based on value content of a good, require
19 that, of the content of a good qualifying
20 for preferential treatment under the agree-
21 ment or agreements that does not originate
22 (as specified in those rules) in a country
23 that is party to the agreement or agree-
24 ments—

25 “(I) during the 5-year period fol-
26 lowing the entry into force of the

1 agreement or agreements, not more
2 than 20 percent of that content may
3 originate in a nonmarket economy
4 country; and

5 “(II) after the period specified in
6 clause (i), not more than 10 percent
7 of that content may originate in a
8 nonmarket economy country; and

9 “(ii) with respect to rules of origin
10 that are not based on value content of a
11 good, are consistent with the requirements
12 under clause (i) based on processing re-
13 quirements or tariff shifts as opposed to
14 value content.

15 “(B) NONMARKET ECONOMY COUNTRY DE-
16 FINED.—In this paragraph, the term ‘non-
17 market economy country’ has the meaning
18 given that term in section 771(18) of the Tariff
19 Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1677(18)).”.

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