

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20436

**MEMORANDUM ON PROPOSED TARIFF LEGISLATION
of the 111th Congress¹**

[Date approved: March 5, 2010]²

Bill No. and sponsor: S. 2214 (Mr. Christopher J. Dodd of Connecticut and Joseph I. Lieberman of Connecticut).

Proponent name,³ location: Conair Corp., Stamford, CT.

Other bills on product (111th Congress only): None.

Nature of bill: Temporary duty suspension through December 31, 2011.

Retroactive effect: None.

Suggested article description(s) for enactment (including appropriate HTS subheading(s)):

Electrothermic coffee makers, programmable, with blade capable of grinding coffee beans and dispensing ground coffee directly into a brew basket, each with a carafe capacity of 1.475 liters or more but not over 1.77 liters (provided for in subheading 8516.71.00).

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:

The subject device is a programmable dual-function coffee maker, which dispenses brewed coffee into an insulated thermal carafe. To be eligible under the proposed provision, the insulated thermal carafe would need to have a minimum capacity of 1.475 liters and a maximum capacity of 1.77 liters. The subject coffee maker must contain a blade grinder used to grind and dispense ground coffee for immediate use in brewing. The proponent's coffee maker has a housing made of plastics with metal accents and a commercial-style permanent filter that permanently eliminates the need for any type of paper filter. It also has a brew pause feature that permits the stoppage of the coffee brewing process to be able to pour an individual serving of coffee. However, the bill as drafted would not require such features in order to be eligible under the new heading. The principal import source of programmable dual-function coffee makers is China.

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

² Access to an electronic copy of this memorandum is available at http://www.usitc.gov/tariff_affairs/congress_reports/.

³ The sponsor/proponent did not identify any additional beneficiaries of this bill.

Estimated effect on customs revenue for the subject product classifiable in HTS subheading 8516.71.00:

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Col. 1-General rate of duty	3.7%	3.7%	3.7%	3.7%	3.7%
Estimated value <i>dutiable</i> imports ^a	\$13,000,000	\$13,000,000	\$14,800,000	\$15,800,000	\$15,800,000
Customs revenue loss ^{b c d}	\$481,000	\$481,000	\$547,600	\$584,600	\$584,600

a/ Dutiable import estimates were provided by industry sources.

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

Name of firm/organization	Date contacted	Claim US makes same or competing product(s)?	Submission attached?	Opposition noted?
		(Yes/No)		
ConAir Corp.(Proponent) John DeMilt, 203-351-9453	11/24/2009	No	No	No
Hamilton Beach/Proctor-Silex Tripp Dillard, 804-418-7759	12/02/2009	No	No	No
Jarden Corp. Vic Michaels, 516-912-4397	12/02/2009	No	No	No
National Presto Industries MaryJo Cohen, 715-839-2121	12/3/2009	No	Yes	Yes
Salton, Inc. Terry Polistina, 954-883-1000	12/02/2009	No	No	No

Technical comments:⁴

It is suggested that the article description of the proposed heading be worded as shown on page 1.

⁴ 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.

111TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 2214

To suspend temporarily the duty on certain programmable dual function
coffee makers.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

OCTOBER 29, 2009

Mr. DODD (for himself and Mr. LIEBERMAN) introduced the following bill;
which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

A BILL

To suspend temporarily the duty on certain programmable
dual function coffee makers.

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 PROGRAMMABLE DUAL FUNCTION**

4 **COFFEE MAKERS.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter II of chapter 99 of
6 the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States is
7 amended by inserting in numerical sequence the following
8 new heading:

“	9902.01.00	Programmable dual function coffee makers, each with a carafe capacity of 1.475 liters or more but not over 1.77 liters and a blade grinder that dispenses ground beans directly into a brew basket (provided for in subheading 8516.71.00)	Free	No change	No change	On or before 12/31/2011	”.
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1 (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendment made by
2 subsection (a) applies to goods entered, or withdrawn from
3 warehouse for consumption, on or after the 15th day after
4 the date of the enactment of this Act.

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