

107TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 3519

To amend the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States to provide separate subheadings for flexible magnets and composite goods containing flexible magnets and to create additional U.S. notes explaining the tariff classification of flexible magnets and composite goods containing flexible magnets.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 18, 2001

Mr. STRICKLAND (for himself and Mr. NEY) introduced the following bill;
which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

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,*

1 **SECTION 1. FLEXIBLE MAGNETS AND COMPOSITE GOODS**
 2 **CONTAINING FLEXIBLE MAGNETS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Heading 8505 of chapter 85 of
 4 the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States is
 5 amended—

6 (1) by striking subheading 8505.19.00 and in-
 7 serting the following new subheadings, with the arti-
 8 cle description for subheadings 8505.19.10,
 9 8505.19.20, and 8505.19.30 having the same degree
 10 of indentation as the article description for sub-
 11 heading 8505.11.00:

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|------------|--|------|------|-----------------------|-----|
| 8505.19.10 | Flexible magnet | 4.9% | Free | (A,CA,E,- IL,J,MX) | 45% |
| 8505.19.20 | Composite goods containing flexi- ble magnet | 4.9% | Free | (A,CA,E,- IL,J,MX) | 45% |
| 8505.19.30 | Other | 4.9% | Free | (A,CA,E,- IL,J,MX) | 45% |

12 (b) COMPOSITE GOODS CONTAINING FLEXIBLE MAG-
 13 NET.—

14 (1) IN GENERAL.—The additional U.S. Notes
 15 to chapter 85 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of
 16 the United States are amended—

17 (A) by redesignating notes 2 through 12 as
 18 notes 4 through 14, respectively; and

19 (B) by inserting after note 1 the following
 20 new notes:

21 “2. For purposes of heading 8505.19.10, the term ‘flexible
 22 magnet’ includes products made of magnetic or mag-

1 netic receptive powder of metal or nonmetallic sub-
2 stances (e.g., strontium, ferrite, iron, etc.) agglom-
3 erated with rubber or plastics or with any other sub-
4 stances used as binders. Such articles may be ren-
5 dered permanently magnetic or may be intended to
6 be magnetized.

7 “3. Composite goods containing a flexible magnet for
8 which magnetism or magnetic properties provide the
9 essential character are classified under heading
10 8505.19.20 as permanent magnets of other materials.
11 All such composite goods are classified under heading
12 8505.19.20 unless the magnet is merely an insignifi-
13 cant part of a larger article (e.g., kitchen cabinets
14 with a magnet to keep the doors closed).”.

15 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
16 this section shall apply with respect to articles entered,
17 or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after
18 the 15th day after the date of enactment of this Act.

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