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1ST SESSION

S. 1159

To amend the Tariff Act of 1930 to enhance the authority of U.S. Customs and Border Protection to share information with respect to merchandise suspected of violating intellectual property rights with rights holders and other interested parties.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 15, 2021

Mr. GRASSLEY 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. ENHANCED AUTHORITY TO SHARE INFORMA-**
 2 **TION WITH RESPECT TO MERCHANDISE SUS-**
 3 **PECTED OF VIOLATING INTELLECTUAL**
 4 **PROPERTY RIGHTS.**

5 Section 628A of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C.
 6 1628a) is amended—

7 (1) in subsection (a), by striking paragraph (1)
 8 and inserting the following:

9 “(1) shall provide to the person information
 10 that appears on the merchandise, including—

11 “(A) its packaging, materials, and con-
 12 tainers, including labels; and

13 “(B) its packing materials and containers,
 14 including labels; and”; and

15 (2) in subsection (b)—

16 (A) in paragraph (3), by striking “; and”
 17 and inserting a semicolon;

18 (B) in paragraph (4), by striking the pe-
 19 riod at the end and inserting “; and”; and

20 (C) by adding at the end the following:

21 “(5) any other party with an interest in the
 22 merchandise, as determined appropriate by the Com-
 23 missioner.”.