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Mr. FOGARTY introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

A BILL

To amend the Trade Expansion Act of 1962.

1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled. 2 That chapter I, title III, section 301 of the Trade Expansion 3 Act of 1962 be amended by deleting the word "major" in 4 the phrase "as a result in major part of concessions granted 5 under trade agreements" as it appears in subsection (b), 6 paragraph (1) thereof; by substituting the words "a factor" 7 for the words "the major factor" in the phrase "that such in-8 creased imports have been the major factor in causing," as it 9 appears in subsection (b), paragraph (3) thereof; by delet-10 ing the word "major" in the phrase "as a result in major part 11

of concessions granted under trade agreements," as it appears
 in subsection (c), paragraphs (1) and (2) thereof; and sub stituting the words "a factor" for the words "the major fac tor" in the phrase "that such increased imports have been
 the major factor in causing," as it appears in subsection (c),
 paragraph (3) thereof.

7 SEC. 2. That chapter 3, title II, section 225, be amended
8 by adding to the end thereof the following:

9 "(d) In addition to the articles described by subsections 10 (a), (b), and (c), the President, notwithstanding other 11 provisions of this Act, shall also reserve articles, or groups 12 of closely related articles that produce or tend to produce a 13 combined competitive impact upon the like or directly com-14 petitive domestic article or groups of closely related articles—

"(1) the imports or net imports of which have in-15 16 creased 75 per centum or more either in quantity or in 17 value since 1958: Provided, That the imports of such 18 article, or group of articles, have within any one of the 19 calendar years since 1958 equaled at least $7\frac{1}{2}$ per centum 20 of the domestic production, either in quantity or in value 21 of the like or directly competitive article or group of articles: Provided, That if comparison is made in terms 22 23 of value under this section, the value of imports shall 24 mean either foreign value plus landing charges, including insurance and freight, or, if such charges are not 25

readily ascertainable, then foreign value plus 25 per
 centum; or

"(2) the imports or net imports of which have dur-3 4 ing any year since 1958 equaled 20 per centum or more of domestic production, either in quantity or in value, 5 6 of the like or directly competitive article, or group of articles: Provided, That the imports have increased in 7 greater proportion either in quantity or in value than do-8 9 mestic production of the like or directly competitive ar-10 ticle, or group of articles, since 1958; or

"(3) the imports or net imports of which have been
limited quantitatively or have had a rate of duty increase
under section 7 of the Trade Agreements Extension Act
of 1951, as amended; or

"(4) in the domestic production of which the number of production workers has declined at least 10 per
centum cumulatively or in any one year since 1959
while imports of the like or directly competitive article,
or group of articles, have increased in value or in quantity, actually or relatively, compared with domestic production, during any one year since 1958; or

"(5) for which there is in effect an agricultural program of price support or price stabilization, or any other
agricultural program authorized by Congress which

would be adversely affected or the cost of which would
 be increased by imports; or

"(6) for which the United States Department of
the Interior has in effect research or conservation programs pursuant to section 742 (f) of title 16, United
States Code (August 8, 1956, ch. 1036, sec. 7, 70 Stat.
1122); or

8 "(7) in the domestic production of which foreign 9 workers were brought into the United States under the 10 provisions of Public Law 78, Eighty-second Congress, 11 as amended, or Public Law 414, Eighty-second Con-12 gress, during the three-year period of 1962–1964.

"(e) Before reserving any article, or group of articles, 13 14 as provided in subsection (d) of this section, the President shall receive from the United States Tariff Commission a 15 16 statement certifying that the article, or group of articles, meets one or more of the criteria set forth in paragraph (1), 17 (2), (3), (4), (5), (6), or (7) of subsection (d) of 18 19 this section if the facts sustain an affirmative finding. The 20 Tariff Commission shall within sixty days make such certi-21 fication to the President after a petition for such certification has been filed before it by a domestic producer of any article, 22 23 or group of articles, by an association of such producers, by a group of workers engaged in the production of any such 24 25 article, or group of articles, or by any other interested party. Upon receipt of such certification from the Tariff
 Commission, the President shall forthwith reserve such
 article or closely related articles from negotiation.

4 "(f) Nothing in this Act shall be interpreted as au-5 thorizing changes in the bases of customs valuation or elim-6 ination of statutory nontariff trade restrictions."

7 SEC. 3. That the Trade Expansion Act of 1962 be
8 further amended by adding after section 213, chapter 2,
9 title II of the Act, sections 214 and 215 to read as follows:
10 "INDUSTRIAL AND MINERAL PRODUCTS

11 "SEC. 214. (a) (1) The annual importation of semi-12 processed metal products, including alloys, or metal products 13 in the fabricated form of rods, bars, sheets, plate, wire, tubes, 14 extrusions or other similar forms, shall be limited either in 15 quantity or in value to the average annual imports thereof 16 in quantity or in value to the average annual imports thereof 17 during the four-year period of 1960-1963: Provided, That 18 imports or net imports of such products or group of closely 19 related products that produce or tend to produce a combined 20 competitive impact upon the like or directly competitive 21 domestic product or group of closely related products have 22 exceeded $7\frac{1}{2}$ per centum of domestic production, and have 23 increased 75 per centum or more in quantity or in value 24 during any calendar year over any preceding calendar year

since 1958; or in the domestic production of which the num-1 2 ber of production workers has declined at least 10 per centum 3 since 1958 either cumulatively or in any one year, if im-4 ports have increased at least 50 per centum since 1958: 5 And provided further, That annual imports may be increased after 1965 by a share equal to the average percentage by 6 which apparent domestic consumption of the product or prod-7 ucts concerned have increased annually over each preceding 8 9 year within the period of 1960-1963;

"(2) Before an import quota is imposed on any product 10 or group of closely related products under paragraph (1) 11 12 of this subsection, the President shall receive from the Tariff 13 Commission a statement certifying that the article or group 14 of closely related articles meets the criteria set forth in such 15 paragraph, if the facts sustain an affirmative finding. The 16 Tariff Commission shall within sixty days make such certifi-17 cation to the President after an application for such certifica-18 tion has been filed before it by a domestic producer of any 19 article or group of closely related articles, by an association 20 of such producers, by a group of workers engaged in the production of such article or articles, or by any other in-21 22 terested party. Upon receipt of such certification from the Tariff Commission the President shall forthwith establish 23 import quotas on the article or group of articles in accordance 24 25 with paragraph (1) of this subsection, as the case may be.

"(b) (1) The annual imports of any article or group 1 of closely related articles that produce or tend to produce 2 a combined competitive impact upon the like or directly 3 competitive article or group of closely related articles shall 4 be limited by quantity or, if a measure by quantity is not 5 ascertainable, then by value, to the average annual imports 6 over any consecutive three-year period since 1958, which-7 ever of such periods is smaller in terms of total imports: 8 Provided, That imports within any year during the past 9 three calendar years (i) have exceeded $7\frac{1}{2}$ per centum of 10 domestic production of the like, or directly competitive 11 12 article or group of articles, and (ii) have increased 75 per 13 centum or more since 1958 either in quantity or in value; or (iii) that the number of production workers in the 14 15 domestic industry has declined 10 per centum or more either 16 cumulatively or in any one year since 1958 while imports 17 have increased at least 50 per centum since 1958 in any one year or cumulatively: And provided further, That annual 18 imports may be increased after 1965 by a share equal to the 19 average percentage by which apparent domestic consump-20 21 tion of the product or products concerned have increased 22 annually over each preceding year within the period of 23 1961-1964.

24 "(2) For the purpose of this subsection the value of25 imports shall mean either foreign value plus landing charges,

including insurance and freight, or, if such charges are not
readily ascertainable, foreign value plus 25 per centum.

"(3) Before any import quota is imposed on any article 3 or group of closely related articles, the President shall receive 4 from the Tariff Commission a statement certifying that the 5 article, or group of articles, meets the criteria set forth in 6 subsection (1) of this section, if the facts sustain such an 7 affirmative finding. The Tariff Commission shall within 8 sixty days make such certification to the President after a 9 petition for such certification has been filed before it by a 10 domestic producer of any article, or group of closely related 11 articles, by an association of such producers, by a group of 12 13 workers engaged in the production of any such article, or group of articles, or by any other interested party. Upon 14 receipt of such certification, the President shall within thirty 15 16 days promulgate the quota limitations provided in subsection 17 (1) of this section.

18 "(c) The powers of the Secretary of the Treasury and 19 the Bureau of Customs relating to the entry of articles into 20 the United States or for carrying out any of the laws relating 21 to customs duties or regulations shall be applicable to the 22 enforcement of this section."

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"FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

24 "SEC. 215. (a) The import of any agricultural com-25 modity of a kind which is produced in the United States

and which was grown, produced, or harvested in the United 1 2 States during the three-year period 1962-1964 with the help 3 of foreign labor lawfully admitted to the United States, shall be limited to the average annual imports of such commodity 4 5 imported during such period: Provided, That no such limitation shall be effective with respect to any year in which there 6 7 is admitted to the United States, for employment in the 8 production, growing, or harvesting of such commodity in the 9 producing areas, which utilized such foreign workers during 10 the base period, on such terms and conditions and at such 11 wages as prevail in the area of employment for workers 12 engaged in like work, a number of foreign workers at least 13 equal to the average annual number thereof which were per-14 mitted entry for such employment during the three-year 15 period 1962-1964.

"(b) Upon application of any producer, or association 16 17 of producers of any agricultural commodity, the Tariff Com-18 mission, within thirty days after the filing of such application, 19 shall find and determine (1) the number of foreign workers 20which were admitted to the United States and available for 21 agricultural employment with respect to the production, 22 growing, or harvesting of any agricultural commodity dur-23 ing the three-year period 1962-1964, (2) the number of ²⁴ foreign agricultural workers which are admitted for the cur-

rent year for agricultural employment in connection with the 1 2 growing, production, or harvesting of such commodity, and 3 (3) the average annual imports of such agricultural com-4 modity imported into the United States during the three-year 5 period 1962–1964. The Tariff Commission shall announce such findings and report them immediately to the Secretary 6 7 of the Treasury and to the Commissioner of Customs. If 8 the Tariff Commission finds that the number of foreign agri-9 cultural workers admitted for the production, growing, or 10 harvesting of any such commodity in the then current year in the production area covered by the application is less than 11 12 the average annual number of foreign workers admitted to 13 the United States and available for such agricultural employ-14 ment during the three-year period 1962-1964, the quantity 15 of such agricultural commodity which may be imported into 16 the United States in any year shall not exceed the average 17 annual quantity of such agricultural commodity imported 18 during the three-year period 1962-1964. Such limitation 19 shall become effective thirty days after the date of issuance 20 of such findings and determination by the Tariff Commis-21 sion, unless an earlier date is specified and announced by the 22 Secretary of the Treasury.

23 "(c) Nothing herein shall be construed to increase any
24 quota in effect with respect to any agricultural commodity

or product thereof established under any other provision of
 the law.

3 "(d) The Tariff Commission may hold public hearings 4 in order to make a determination under this section and give 5 interested parties an opportunity to present testimony and 6 to be heard.

"(e) The Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to
utilize the enforcement powers vested in him with respect
to the entry of articles into the United States or for carrying
out any of the laws relating to custom duties or regulations,
for the enforcement of the provisions of this section."

SEC. 4. That the Trade Expansion Act of 1962 be further amended by adding at the end of section 232, chapter 4,
title II of the Act, the following:

15 "(e) Imports of petroleum into districts I-IV shall not 16 exceed 10 per centum of production of crude petroleum and 17 natural gas liquids in those districts during the same period 18 of the preceding calendar years: *Provided*, That petroleum 19 imports during the next five years shall not exceed in any 20 one year the level of such imports during the full calendar 21 year immediately preceding the passage of this Act.

"(f) It is the policy of the Congress that in implementing this section every effort shall be made to encourage
increased production of crude petroleum within district V

and increased shipments of petroleum from districts I-IV
 into district V to prevent so far as possible any increased
 dependence of district V upon foreign supplies of petroleum.
 In order to further this policy, after the date of the enact ment of this Act, any increase in imports into district V over
 actual imports in calendar year 1964 shall be subtracted
 from allowable imports into districts I-IV.

"(g) As used in this section:

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9 "(1) 'Imports' shall include shipments of crude petro10 leum and all liquid petroleum products to be used for energy
11 or fuel, except shipments of residual fuel oil.

"(2) Districts I-IV' shall mean the District of Columbia and all the States not included in district V which shall be
composed of the States of Arizona, Nevada, California, Oregon, Washington, Alaska, and Hawaii."

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