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1ST SESSION

S. 552

To extend duty-free treatment provided with respect to imports from Haiti under the Caribbean Basin Economic Recovery Act.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 28, 2023

Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. WARNOCK, Mr. CASSIDY, and Mr. DURBIN) 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 “Haiti Economic Lift
5 Program Extension Act of 2023”.

1 **SEC. 2. EXTENSION OF SPECIAL RULES FOR HAITI UNDER**
2 **CARIBBEAN BASIN ECONOMIC RECOVERY**
3 **ACT.**

4 Section 213A of the Caribbean Basin Economic Re-
5 covery Act (19 U.S.C. 2703a) is amended—

6 (1) in subsection (b)—

7 (A) in paragraph (1)—

8 (i) by amending subparagraph

9 (B)(v)(I) to read as follows:

10 “(I) APPLICABLE PERCENT-
11 AGE.—The term ‘applicable percent-
12 age’ means 60 percent or more during
13 the period beginning on December 20,
14 2017, and ending on September 30,
15 2035.”; and

16 (ii) by amending subparagraph (C) to
17 read as follows:

18 “(C) QUANTITATIVE LIMITATIONS.—The
19 preferential treatment described in subpara-
20 graph (A) shall be extended, during each period
21 after the initial applicable 1-year period, to not
22 more than 1.25 percent of the aggregate square
23 meter equivalents of all apparel articles im-
24 ported into the United States in the most re-
25 cent 12-month period for which data are avail-
26 able.”; and

1 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “in each
2 of the 16 succeeding 1-year periods” each place
3 it appears and inserting “in any of the suc-
4 ceeding 1-year periods”; and

5 (2) by amending subsection (h) to read as fol-
6 lows:

7 “(h) TERMINATION.—The duty-free treatment pro-
8 vided under this section shall remain in effect until Sep-
9 tember 30, 2035.”.

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