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To direct the United States Trade Representative to initiate investigations to determine whether foreign countries, including Canada, have ceased importation and distribution of alcoholic beverage exports of the United States in a manner that is actionable under section 301 of the Trade Act of 1974, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. TENNEY 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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Combating Attacks
5 on our National Alcoholic Drinks by Allies Act” or the
6 “CANADA Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. INVESTIGATION OF RESTRICTIONS ON ALCOHOLIC**
2 **BEVERAGE EXPORTS OF THE UNITED**
3 **STATES.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after the
5 date of enactment of this Act, the United States Trade
6 Representative shall initiate an investigation to determine
7 whether a covered foreign country has ceased importation
8 and distribution of alcoholic beverage exports of the
9 United States in a manner that is actionable under section
10 301 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2411).

11 (b) CONSULTATIONS.—

12 (1) BEFORE ACTIONABILITY DETERMINA-
13 TION.—Before making a determination with respect
14 to whether a covered foreign country has acted in a
15 manner that is actionable under such section 301
16 (19 U.S.C. 2411) after an investigation initiated
17 under subsection (a), the United States Trade Rep-
18 resentative shall—

19 (A) consult with—

20 (i) manufacturers of alcoholic bev-
21 erages in the United States that are af-
22 fected by limits imposed by covered foreign
23 countries on importation and distribution
24 of alcoholic beverage exports of the United
25 States;

26 (ii) the Secretary of Commerce;

- 1 (iii) the Secretary of State; and
- 2 (iv) the United States International
- 3 Trade Commission; and
- 4 (B) seek information from trade associa-
- 5 tions and from domestic producers and distribu-
- 6 tors of alcoholic beverage exports of the United
- 7 States, as determined relevant by the United
- 8 States Trade Representative.
- 9 (2) BEFORE ENFORCEMENT DETERMINA-
- 10 TION.—Before taking action with respect to a deter-
- 11 mination described in paragraph (1), the United
- 12 States Trade Representative shall—
- 13 (A) notify the appropriate committees of
- 14 Congress of a proposed action with respect to
- 15 such determination; and
- 16 (B) consult with stakeholders that may be
- 17 affected by such proposed action to ensure that
- 18 such proposed action—
- 19 (i) is targeted and proportionate; and
- 20 (ii) minimizes potential unintended
- 21 consequences for—
- 22 (I) consumers in the United
- 23 States; and
- 24 (II) allies of the United States.

1 (c) **NEGATIVE DETERMINATION.**—If the United
2 States Trade Representative determines, after an inves-
3 tigation initiated under subsection (a), that a covered for-
4 eign country has not acted in a manner that is actionable
5 under such section 301 (19 U.S.C. 2411), the United
6 States Trade Representative shall submit to the appro-
7 priate committees of Congress a written report that ex-
8 plains such determination.

9 **SEC. 3. REPORT.**

10 (a) **INITIAL REPORT.**—Not later than 90 days after
11 the date of enactment of this Act, the United States Trade
12 Representative shall submit to the appropriate committees
13 of Congress a written report that includes—

14 (1) the status of each investigation initiated
15 under section 2;

16 (2) the policy of each covered foreign country
17 with respect to the importation and distribution of
18 alcoholic beverage exports of the United States; and

19 (3) the findings of the United States Trade
20 Representative regarding the impact of such policies
21 on manufacturers of alcoholic beverages in the
22 United States.

23 (b) **QUARTERLY REPORTS.**—Not later than 90 days
24 after the date of enactment of this Act, and on a quarterly
25 basis thereafter for 2 years, the United States Trade Rep-

1 representative shall submit to the appropriate committees of
2 Congress a written report that includes—

3 (1) a description of consultations held for the
4 purpose of an investigation initiated under section
5 2(a);

6 (2) any remedial or enforcement action taken
7 under subsection (a) or (b) of section 301 of the
8 Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2411) with respect to
9 an investigation initiated under section 2(a); and

10 (3) the status of any engagement with a cov-
11 ered foreign country regarding trade issues related
12 to alcoholic beverage exports of the United States.

13 (c) PUBLIC SUMMARY.—The United States Trade
14 Representative shall make publicly available a summary
15 of the written reports required under this section, which
16 shall not include confidential information provided by a
17 stakeholder.

18 **SEC. 4. DEFINITIONS.**

19 In this Act:

20 (1) ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE.—The term “alco-
21 holic beverage” has the meaning given such term in
22 section 203 of the Alcoholic Beverage Labeling Act
23 of 1988 (27 U.S.C. 214).

1 (2) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CON-
2 GRESS.—The term “appropriate committees of Con-
3 gress” means—

4 (A) the Committee on Ways and Means of
5 the House of Representatives; and

6 (B) the Committee on Finance of the Sen-
7 ate.

8 (3) COVERED FOREIGN COUNTRY.—The term
9 “covered foreign country”—

10 (A) means a foreign country that has in ef-
11 fect a free trade agreement with the United
12 States; and

13 (B) includes Canada.

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