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To amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to ensure the safety of imported seafood and seafood products, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. JONES of North Carolina (for himself, Mr. TAYLOR, and Mr. PAUL) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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 “Foreign Seafood Safety
5 Act of 2007”.

6 **SEC. 2. IMPORTATION OF SEAFOOD.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 801 of the Federal Food,
8 Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 381 et seq.) is amend-
9 ed by adding at the end the following:

1 “(p)(1) Any seafood or seafood product capable of
2 use as human food may not be imported into the United
3 States from any foreign country unless—

4 “(A) the country applies for, and the Secretary
5 issues, a certification finding that the country main-
6 tains seafood safety and inspection programs that
7 use reliable analytical methods, and that are at least
8 as protective of human health as such programs in
9 the United States; and

10 “(B) such certification remains in effect.

11 “(2) The Secretary shall periodically review certifi-
12 cations issued under paragraph (1)(A) and shall revoke
13 any such certification if the Secretary determines that the
14 country involved is not maintaining seafood safety pro-
15 grams that meet the standard described in such para-
16 graph.

17 “(3) In considering any application for a certification
18 under paragraph (1)(A) or reviewing any such certifi-
19 cation, the Secretary shall conduct an inspection of indi-
20 vidual establishments to ensure that the seafood safety
21 programs of the foreign country involved meet the stand-
22 ard described in such paragraph.

23 “(4) In this subsection, the terms ‘seafood’ and ‘sea-
24 food product’ mean any article classified under heading
25 0302, 0303, 0304, 0305, 0306, 0307, 1603, 1604, or

1 1605 or subheading 0301.91, 0301.92, 0301.93, 0301.94,
2 0301.95, or 0301.99.01 of the Harmonized Tariff Sched-
3 ule of the United States.”.

4 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
5 subsection (a) shall take effect on the date that is one
6 year after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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