

21 U.S. Code § 1601

Findings

The Congress finds that—

- (1) each year millions of citizens of the United States depend on the availability of lifesaving or life-enhancing medical devices, many of which are permanently implantable within the human body;
- (2) a continued supply of raw materials and component parts is necessary for the invention, development, improvement, and maintenance of the supply of the devices;
- (3) most of the medical devices are made with raw materials and component parts that—
 - (A) move in interstate commerce;
 - (B) are not designed or manufactured specifically for use in medical devices; and
 - (C) come in contact with internal human tissue;
- (4) the raw materials and component parts also are used in a variety of nonmedical products;
- (5) because small quantities of the raw materials and component parts are used for medical devices, sales of raw materials and component parts for medical devices constitute an extremely small portion of the overall market for the raw materials and component parts;

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