

BASSETT FURNITURE INDUSTRIES INC  
Form 8-K  
March 18, 2008

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE**  
**SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) March 17, 2008**

**BASSETT FURNITURE INDUSTRIES, INCORPORATED**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**VIRGINIA**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

**0-209**  
(Commission File No.)

**54-0135270**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

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3525 FAIRYSTONE PARK HIGHWAY

**BASSETT, VIRGINIA**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**24055**  
(Zip Code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code 276/629-6000**

**(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)**

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2 below):

- .. Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 8.01. Other Events.**

On March 17, 2008, Bassett Furniture Industries, Inc. issued a news release announcing that the Board of Directors approved a \$20 million increase in the Company's existing share repurchase authorization and an increase in the regular quarterly dividend to \$0.225 from \$0.20. A copy of the news release announcing this information is attached to this report as Exhibit 99.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits**

Exhibit 99 News release issued by Bassett Furniture Industries, Inc. on March 17, 2008.

Signatures

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

BASSETT FURNITURE INDUSTRIES, INCORPORATED

Date: March 18, 2008

By: /s/ Barry C. Safrit

Barry C. Safrit

Title: Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

|                | <b>Description</b>   |
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| Exhibit No. 99 | News release issued by Bassett Furniture Industries, Inc. on March 17, 2008. |