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## **STATE OF PLAY ON REASONED OPINIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS SUBMITTED BY NATIONAL PARLIAMENTS UNDER PROTOCOL 2 OF THE LISBON TREATY**

This note by the Directorate for Relations with National Parliaments provides an update of submissions received by the European Parliament in the context of Protocol 2 during the period 6 March - 5 April 2018.

Protocol 2 of the Lisbon Treaty sets out a review mechanism involving national Parliaments regarding proposed legislation which does not fall under the exclusive competence of the European Union. Thus, national Parliaments/Chambers may review within eight weeks of transmission such proposed legislation and issue a "reasoned opinion" if they consider that a draft EU legislative act does not comply with the principle of subsidiarity. Reasoned opinions are translated into all EU official languages (with the exception of Gaelic and Maltese). In the majority of cases, submissions from national Parliaments go beyond the issue of subsidiarity, discussing the substantive merits of proposals. These submissions are called "contributions". Contributions may be translated into one other language on special request by the Committee Chair or the Rapporteur<sup>1</sup>.

Pursuant to Rule 42(4) of the Rules of Procedure, all reasoned opinions are referred to the Committee(s) responsible for the draft legislative act and forwarded for information to the Committee on Legal Affairs. Contributions are referred to the Committee(s) responsible for the draft legislative act (Rule 142(4) of the Rules of Procedure).

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<sup>1</sup> 'Common approach for the treatment at Committee level of national Parliaments reasoned opinions and all other contributions of national Parliaments' adopted by the Conference of Committee Chairs on 14.12.2010.

## I. DRAFT LEGISLATIVE ACTS ELICITING NUMEROUS REASONED OPINIONS AND/OR CONTRIBUTIONS FROM NATIONAL PARLIAMENTS (6 MARCH - 5 APRIL 2018)<sup>2</sup>

<b>ECON Committee</b> Rapporteur: N/A	Procedure: <b>2017/0335(CNS)</b>	<b>COM(2017)0824</b>	Deadline: <b>16 March 2018</b>
Proposal for a COUNCIL DIRECTIVE laying down provisions for strengthening fiscal responsibility and the medium-term budgetary orientation in the Member States <b>5 contributions:</b> Czech Chamber, Italian Chamber, Italian Senate, Romanian Senate*, Spanish Parliament*			
<b>ECON Committee</b> Rapporteur: SZANYI Tibor	Procedure: <b>2018/0005(CNS)</b>	<b>COM(2018)0020</b>	Deadline: <b>20 March 2018</b>
Proposal for a COUNCIL DIRECTIVE amending Directive 2006/112/EC as regards rates of value added tax <b>4 contributions:</b> German Bundesrat*, Portuguese Parliament*, Romanian Senate*, Spanish Parliament*			
<b>ECON Committee</b> Rapporteur: VANDENKENDELAERE Tom	Procedure: <b>2018/0006(CNS)</b>	<b>COM(2018)0021</b>	Deadline: <b>19 March 2018</b>
Proposal for a COUNCIL DIRECTIVE amending Directive 2006/112/EC on the common system of value added tax as regards the special scheme for small enterprises <b>4 contributions:</b> German Bundesrat*, Portuguese Parliament*, Romanian Senate*, Spanish Parliament*			
<b>EMPL Committee</b> Rapporteur: CALVET CHAMBON Enrique	Procedure: <b>2017/0355(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2017)0797</b>	Deadline: <b>6 March 2018</b>
Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on transparent and predictable working conditions in the European Union <b>1 reasoned opinion:</b> Swedish Parliament <b>1 contribution:</b> Portuguese Parliament*			
<b>ENVI Committee</b> Rapporteur: DALI Miriam	Procedure: <b>2017/0293(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2017)0676</b>	Deadline: <b>27 March 2018</b>
Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council setting emission performance standards for new passenger cars and new light commercial vehicles as part of the Union's integrated approach to reduce CO2 emissions from light-duty vehicles and amending Regulation (EC) No 715/2007 (recast) <b>4 contributions:</b> Czech Chamber, Portuguese Parliament*, Romanian Senate*, Spanish Parliament*			

<sup>2</sup> In this section, reference is made to draft legislative acts for which at least *one reasoned opinion* has been transmitted or *at least four contributions* during the current and previous periods under examination. Submissions received during the current period are marked with \*.

<b>ENVI Committee</b> Rapporteur: DANTIN Michel	Procedure: <b>2017/0332(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2017)0753</b>	Deadline: <b>3 April 2018</b>
<p>Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the quality of water intended for human consumption (recast)</p> <p><b>4 reasoned opinions:</b> Austrian Bundesrat*, Czech Chamber*, Irish Houses of the Oireachtas*, UK House of Commons*</p> <p><b>1 contribution:</b> Romanian Senate*</p>			

<b>ENVI Committee</b> Rapporteur: GARDINI Elisabetta	Procedure: <b>2017/0309(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2017)0772</b>	Deadline: <b>6 February 2018</b>
<p>Proposal for a DECISION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Decision No 1313/2013/EU on a Union Civil Protection Mechanism</p> <p><b>1 reasoned opinion:</b> Czech Chamber</p> <p><b>4 contributions:</b> Austrian Bundesrat, German Bundesrat*, Portuguese Parliament, Romanian Senate</p>			

<b>ENVI Committee</b> Rapporteur: CABEZÓN RUIZ Soledad	Procedure: <b>2018/0018(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2018)0051</b>	Deadline: <b>3 April 2018</b>
<p>Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on health technology assessment and amending Directive 2011/24/EU)</p> <p><b>2 reasoned opinions:</b> Czech Chamber*, French Senate*</p> <p><b>2 contributions:</b> Polish Sejm*, Portuguese Parliament*</p>			

<b>IMCO Committee</b> Rapporteur: ARIMONT Pascal	Procedure: <b>2015/0288(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2017)0637</b>	Deadline: <b>26 December 2017</b>
<p>Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on certain aspects concerning contracts for the online and other distance sales of goods</p> <p><b>6 contributions:</b> Austrian Bundesrat, French Senate, Irish House of the Oireachtas, Portuguese Parliament, Romanian Chamber, Spanish Parliament</p>			

<b>IMCO Committee</b> Rapporteur: DANTI Nicola	Procedure: <b>2017/0353(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2017)0795</b>	Deadline: <b>23 March 2018</b>
<p>PROPOSAL FOR A REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL laying down rules and procedures for compliance with and enforcement of Union harmonisation legislation on products and amending Regulations (EU) No 305/2011, (EU) No 528/2012, (EU) 2016/424, (EU) 2016/425, (EU) 2016/426 and (EU) 2017/1369 of the European Parliament and of the Council, and Directives 2004/42/EC, 2009/48/EC, 2010/35/EU, 2013/29/EU, 2013/53/EU, 2014/28/EU, 2014/29/EU, 2014/30/EU, 2014/31/EU, 2014/32/EU, 2014/33/EU, 2014/34/EU, 2014/35/EU, 2014/53/EU, 2014/68/EU and 2014/90/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council</p> <p><b>1 reasoned opinion:</b> Swedish Parliament*</p> <p><b>3 contributions:</b> Czech Chamber*, Portuguese Parliament*, Romanian Senate*</p>			

## II. DRAFT LEGISLATIVE ACTS SUBJECT TO PROTOCOL 2 ON THE DRAFT AGENDA FOR DEBATE OF THE APRIL PLENARY PART-SESSION (16 - 19 April 2018)<sup>3</sup>

<b>AFCO Committee</b> Rapporteurs: WIELAND Rainer BRESSO Mercedes	Procedure: <b>2017/0219(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2017)0481</b>	Deadline: <b>14 November 2017</b>
<p>Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014 of the European Parliament and the Council of 22 October 2014 on the statute and funding of European political parties and European political foundations</p> <p><b>3 contributions:</b> Italian Senate, Portuguese Parliament, Spanish Parliament</p>			
<b>ECON Committee</b> <b>LIBE Committee</b> Rapporteurs: KARI Š Krišj nis SARGENTINI Judith	Procedure: <b>2016/0208(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2016)0450</b>	Deadline: <b>27 October 2016</b>
<p>Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Directive (EU) 2015/849 on the prevention of the use of the financial system for the purposes of money laundering or terrorist financing and amending Directive 2009/101/EC</p> <p><b>3 contributions:</b> Czech Senate, Portuguese Parliament, Romanian Chamber</p>			
<b>ENVI Committee</b> Rapporteur: HAUSLING Martin	Procedure: <b>2014/0100(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2014)0180</b>	Deadline: <b>20 May 2014</b>
<p>Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on organic production and labelling of organic products, amending Regulation (EU) No XXX/XXX of the European Parliament and of the Council [Official controls Regulation] and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 834/2007</p> <p><b>2 reasoned opinions:</b> Austrian Bundesrat, Luxembourg Parliament</p> <p><b>11 contributions:</b> Austrian Nationalrat, Czech Chamber, Czech Senate, Dutch Tweede Kamer, Irish Houses of the Oireachtas, Italian Chamber, Italian Senate, Lithuanian Parliament, Portuguese Parliament, Romanian Chamber, Spanish Parliament</p>			
<b>ENVI Committee</b> Rapporteur: LINS Norbert	Procedure: <b>2016/0230(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2016)0479</b>	Deadline: <b>27 October 2016</b>
<p>Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the inclusion of greenhouse gas emissions and removals from land use, land use change and forestry into the 2030 climate and energy framework and amending Regulation No 525/2013 of the European Parliament and the Council on a mechanism for monitoring and reporting greenhouse gas emissions and other information relevant to climate change</p> <p><b>5 contributions:</b> Czech Senate, Italian Senate, Polish Senate, Portuguese Parliament, Romanian Senate</p>			

<sup>3</sup> Information contained in this section is provisional and subject to change following decisions by the Conference of Presidents or the Plenary. Information is presented in alphabetical order on the basis of the acronym of the committees concerned. The number of reasoned opinions and contributions mentioned refers to the total number of these submissions received to-date.

<b>ENVI Committee</b> Rapporteur: GERBRANDY Gerben-Jan	Procedure: <b>2016/0231(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2016)0482</b>	Deadline: <b>27 October 2016</b>
<p>Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on binding annual greenhouse gas emission reductions by Member States from 2021 to 2030 for a resilient Energy Union and to meet commitments under the Paris Agreement and amending Regulation No 525/2013 of the European Parliament and the Council on a mechanism for monitoring and reporting greenhouse gas emissions and other information relevant to climate change</p> <p><b>5 contributions:</b> Czech Senate, Italian Senate, Polish Senate, Portuguese Parliament, Romanian Senate</p>			

<b>ENVI Committee</b> Rapporteur: BONAFÈ Simona	Procedure: <b>2015/0272(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2015)0593</b>	Deadline: <b>2 February 2016</b>
<p>Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Directive 94/62/EC on packaging and packaging waste</p> <p><b>1 reasoned opinion:</b> French Senate</p> <p><b>5 contributions:</b> Czech Senate, Italian Chamber, Italian Senate, Romanian Chamber, Romanian Senate</p>			

<b>ENVI Committee</b> Rapporteur: BONAFÈ Simona	Procedure: <b>2015/0274(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2015)0594</b>	Deadline: <b>2 February 2016</b>
<p>Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Directive 1999/31/EC on the landfill of waste</p> <p><b>1 reasoned opinion:</b> FR Senate</p> <p><b>6 contributions:</b> Czech Senate, Italian Chamber, Italian Senate, Polish Senate, Romanian Chamber, Romanian Senate</p>			

<b>ENVI Committee</b> Rapporteur: BONAFÈ Simona	Procedure: <b>2015/0275(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2015)0595</b>	Deadline: <b>2 February 2016</b>
<p>Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 2008/98/EC on waste</p> <p><b>2 reasoned opinions:</b> Austrian Bundesrat, French Senate</p> <p><b>7 contributions:</b> Czech Senate, Danish Parliament, Italian Chamber, Italian Senate, Polish Senate, Romanian Chamber, Romanian Senate</p>			

<b>ENVI Committee</b> Rapporteur: BONAFÈ Simona	Procedure: <b>2015/0276(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2015)0596</b>	Deadline: <b>2 February 2016</b>
<p>Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Directive 94/62/EC on packaging and packaging waste</p> <p><b>1 reasoned opinion:</b> FR Senate</p> <p><b>7 contributions:</b> Czech Senate, Danish Parliament, Italian Chamber, Italian Senate, Polish Senate, Romanian Chamber, Romanian Senate</p>			

<b>ENVI Committee</b> Rapporteur: GAMBÚS Francisc	Procedure: <b>2016/0394(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2016)0789</b>	Deadline: <b>27 March 2017</b>
<p>Proposal for a DECISION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Directive 87/217/EEC of the Council, Directive 2003/87/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council, Directive 2009/31/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council, Regulation (EU) No 1257/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council, Council Directive 86/278/EEC and Council Directive 94/63/EC as regards procedural rules in the field of environmental reporting and repealing Council Directive 91/692/EEC</p> <p><b>1 contribution:</b> Italian Senate</p>			

<b>IMCO Committee</b> Rapporteur: DALTON Daniel	Procedure: <b>2016/0014(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2016)0031</b>	Deadline: <b>29 March 2016</b>
Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the approval and market surveillance of motor vehicles and their trailers, and of systems, components and separate technical units intended for such vehicles <b>2 contributions:</b> Portuguese Parliament, Romanian Senate			
<b>ITRE Committee</b> Rapporteur: BENDTSEN Bendt	Procedure: <b>2016/0381(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2016)0765</b>	Deadline: <b>27 January 2017</b>
Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Directive 2010/31/EU on the energy performance of buildings <b>2 reasoned opinions:</b> Dutch Eerste Kamer, Dutch Tweede Kamer <b>5 contributions:</b> Austrian Bundesrat, Czech Senate, Italian Chamber, Italian Senate, Portuguese Parliament			

### III. FACTS & FIGURES

#### A. Since the previous State of Play note (5 March 2018)

Since the previous update on the State of Play, the European Parliament has received:

- **13 draft legislative acts** in the context of Protocol 2,
- **7 reasoned opinions** on different draft legislative acts,
- **43 contributions** by national Parliaments on different draft legislative acts.

#### B. For the 8th legislative term (2014-2019)

Since the beginning of the 8th legislative term regarding Protocol 2, the European Parliament has received **270 draft legislative acts**, **153 reasoned opinions** and **1.019 contributions**.

## Nr of proposals and NPs' submissions according to the Committee - from 8th legislature

EP Committee responsible	Proposals	Reasoned opinions	Contributions	Submissions (= reasoned opinions and contributions together)
<b>AFCO</b>	1	0	3	3
<b>AFET</b>	1	0	3	3
<b>AGRI</b>	7	0	15	15
<b>BUDG</b>	2	0	1	1
<b>CONT</b>	2	0	5	5
<b>CULT</b>	6	0	21	21
<b>DEVE</b>	1	0	2	2
<b>ECON</b>	60	22	191	213
<b>EMPL</b>	11	22	57	79
<b>ENVI</b>	28	19	117	136
<b>IMCO</b>	22	26	96	122
<b>INTA</b>	7	0	6	6
<b>ITRE</b>	25	30	121	151
<b>JURI</b>	13	6	61	67
<b>LIBE</b>	44	21	204	225
<b>PECH</b>	0	0	2	2
<b>REGI</b>	10	0	16	16
<b>TRAN</b>	24	7	98	105
not yet defined	6			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>1019</b>	<b>1172</b>

### C. Since the entry into force of the Lisbon Treaty (1 December 2009)

Since the entry into force of the Lisbon Treaty a total of **743 draft legislative acts** have been **sent to national Parliaments** for examination under the terms of Protocol No 2 of the Treaty of Lisbon. 736 of those draft legislative acts are Commission proposals, while the remaining 7 are Council initiatives.

In response, the European Parliament has received a total of **2906 submissions** from national Parliaments. Of these, **440 reasoned opinions** while the remaining **2466 are contributions**.

