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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 May 2017 - 6 June 2017.

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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**All national Parliament documents officially received by the EP are  
available in the "Connect" database on the EP internet:**

<http://www.europarl.europa.eu/relnatparl/en/connect.html>

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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 MAY 2017 - 7 JUNE 2017)<sup>2</sup>

<b>ENVI and ITRE Committees</b> Rapporteurs: RIVASI Michèle and TURMES Claude	Procedure: <b>2016/0375(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2016)759</b>	Deadline: <b>8 March 2017</b>
ANNEXES to the Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the Governance of the Energy Union, amending Directive 94/22/EC, Directive 98/70/EC, Directive 2009/31/EC, Regulation (EC) No 663/2009, Regulation (EC) No 715/2009, Directive 2009/73/EC, Council Directive 2009/119/EC, Directive 2010/31/EU, Directive 2012/27/EU, Directive 2013/30/EU and Council Directive (EU) 2015/652 and repealing Regulation (EU) No 525/2013 <b>6 contributions:</b> Czech Chamber, Czech Senate, Italian Senate, Polish Sejm, Portugese Parliament, Spanish Parliament			
<b>IMCO Committee</b> Rapporteur: GUTIÉRREZ PRIETO Sergio	Procedure: <b>2016/0398(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2016)821</b>	Deadline: <b>14 March 2017</b>
Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the enforcement of the Directive 2006/123/EC on services in the internal market, laying down a notification procedure for authorisation schemes and requirements related to services, and amending Directive 2006/123/EC and Regulation (EU) No 1024/2012 on administrative cooperation through the Internal Market Information System <b>4 reasoned opinions:</b> French National Assembly, French Senate, German Bundesrat, German Bundestag <b>5 contributions:</b> Austrian Bundesrat, German Bundesrat, German Bundestag, Italian Senate, Portuguese Parliament			
<b>ITRE Committee</b> Rapporteur: BLANCO LÓPEZ José	Procedure: <b>2016/0382(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2016)767</b>	Deadline: <b>17 May 2017</b>
Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and the Council on the promotion of the use of energy from renewable sources (Recast) <b>9 contributions:</b> Czech Chamber, Czech Senate, French Senate, German Bundesrat, Polish Senate, Portugese Parliament, Romanian Chamber, Romanian Senate, Spanish Parliament			
<b>ITRE Committee</b> Rapporteur: KARINŠ Krišjānis	Procedure: <b>2016/0379(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2016)861</b>	Deadline: <b>17 May 2017</b>
PROPOSAL FOR A REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the internal market for electricity (Recast) <b>11 reasoned opinions:</b> Austrian Bundesrat, Czech Chamber, French Senate, German Bundesrat, German Bundestag, Hungarian Parliament, Polish Sejm, Polish Senate, Romanian Chamber, Romanian Senate, Spanish Parliament <b>3 contributions:</b> Czech Senate, Danish Parliament, Portuguese Parliament			
<b>ITRE Committee</b> Rapporteur: PETERSEN Morten Helveg	Procedure: <b>2016/0378(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2016)863</b>	Deadline: <b>6 April 2017</b>
Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL Establishing a European Union Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (Recast) <b>3 reasoned opinions:</b> French Senate, German Bundestag, Romanian Senate <b>6 contributions:</b> Austrian Bundesrat, Czech Chamber, Czech Senate, Danish Parliament, German Bundesrat, Portuguese Parliament			

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

<b>ITRE Committee</b> Rapporteur: KARINŠ Krišjānis	Procedure: <b>2016/0380(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2016)864</b>	Deadline: <b>9 May 2017</b>
Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on common rules for the internal market in electricity <b>3 reasoned opinions:</b> Austrian Bundesrat, Hungarian Parliament, Polish Senate <b>7 contributions:</b> Czech Chamber, Czech Senate, Danish Parliament, German Bundesrat, Portuguese Parliament, Romanian Senate, Spanish Parliament,			

<b>LIBE Committee</b> Rapporteur: GRIESBECK Nathalie	Procedure: <b>2016/0412(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2016)819</b>	Deadline: <b>9 May 2017</b>
Proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the mutual recognition of freezing and confiscation orders <b>1 reasoned opinion:</b> Czech Senate <b>4 contributions:</b> Czech Chamber, German Bundesrat, Portuguese Parliament, Spanish Parliament			

<b>LIBE Committee</b> Rapporteur: LAURISTIN Marju	Procedure: <b>2017/0003(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2017)010</b>	Deadline: <b>12 April 2017</b>
Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL concerning the respect for private life and the protection of personal data in electronic communications and repealing Directive 2002/58/EC (Regulation on Privacy and Electronic Communications) <b>5 contributions:</b> Czech Chamber, Czech Senate, Dutch Senate, Portuguese Parliament, Spanish Parliament			

## II. DRAFT LEGISLATIVE ACTS SUBJECT TO PROTOCOL 2 ON THE DRAFT AGENDA FOR DEBATE OF THE APRIL PLENARY PART-SESSION (12-15 June 2017)<sup>3</sup>

<b>CULT Committee</b> Rapporteur: FISAS AYXELÀ Santiago	Procedure: <b>2016/0186(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2016)400</b>	Deadline: <b>15 September 2016</b>
Proposal for a DECISION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Decision No 445/2014/EU establishing a Union action for the European Capitals of Culture for the years 2020 to 2033 <b>1 contribution:</b> Italian Senate			

<b>ITRE Committee</b> Rapporteur: TAMBURRANO Dario	Procedure: <b>2015/0149(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2015)341</b>	Deadline: <b>19 October 2015</b>
Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council setting a framework for energy efficiency labelling and repealing Directive 2010/30/EU <b>2 contributions:</b> Italian Senate, Romanian Chamber			

<b>ITRE Committee</b> Rapporteur: SAKORAFI Sofia	Procedure: <b>2016/0325(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2016)662</b>	Deadline: <b>20 December 2016</b>
Proposal for a DECISION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the participation of the Union in the Partnership for Research and Innovation in the Mediterranean Area (PRIMA) jointly undertaken by several Member States <b>2 contributions:</b> Italian Senate, Spanish Parliament			

<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.

### III. FACTS & FIGURES

#### A. Since the previous State of Play note (11 May 2017)

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

- *5 draft legislative acts* in the context of Protocol 2,
- *3 reasoned opinions* on different draft legislative acts,
- *45 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 *198 draft legislative acts*, *131 reasoned opinions* and *759 contributions*.

<b>Nr of proposals and NPs' submissions according to the Committee - from 8th legislature</b>				
<b>EP Committee responsible</b>	<b>Proposals</b>	<b>Reasoned opinions</b>	<b>Contributions</b>	<b>Submissions (= reasoned opinions and contributions together)</b>
<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>	4	0	11	11
<b>DEVE</b>	1	0	2	2
<b>ECON</b>	36	20	124	144
<b>EMPL</b>	10	17	48	65
<b>ENVI</b>	21	12	99	111
<b>IMCO</b>	18	24	71	95
<b>INTA</b>	4	0	5	5
<b>ITRE</b>	21	28	96	124
<b>JURI</b>	13	6	57	63
<b>LIBE</b>	38	21	171	192
<b>PECH</b>	0	0	2	2
<b>REGI</b>	7	0	9	9
<b>TRAN</b>	12	3	40	43
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>197</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>759</b>	<b>890</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 **670 draft legislative acts** have been **sent to national Parliaments** for examination under the terms of Protocol No 2 of the Treaty of Lisbon. 663 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 **2624 submissions** from national Parliaments. Of these, **418 reasoned opinions** while the remaining **2206 are contributions**.

