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Vote on Media freedom across the EU: - extract from the vote on the report by Renate WEBER (ALDE, RO)

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Changes to member states' media laws and their impact on government interference in the media should be monitored every year at EU level, says a draft resolution voted by the MEPs. It also advocates broadening the scope of the Audiovisual Media Services Directive to ensure full respect for media freedom and pluralism. A second draft resolution, also voted today, calls for improved media education and protection for minors. "A mechanism for monitoring and reporting on the full respect of media freedom and pluralism across the EU should become a regular democratic exercise," said Renate Weber (ALDE, RO), who drafted the first resolution for the Civil Liberties Committee. This draft advocates broadening the scope of the Audiovisual Media Services Directive to ensure full respect for the fundamental right to freedom of expression and information, media freedom and pluralism.

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00:00:00	TITLE	00:00:05
00:00:05	EXTERIOR SHOT of the European Parliament, Strasbourg	00:00:05
00:00:10	Announcement of the vote, large shot on Rapporteur Renate WEBER (ALDE, RO).	00:00:06
00:00:16	SOUNDBITE (English) Renate WEBER (ALDE, RO) : "Oral amendement only speaks about the replacement of the word obliged with the word "invite". So : Member States instead of oblige the media sector, invite the media sector".	00:00:24
00:00:40	Voting : 7 SHOTS	00:00:18
00:00:58	Display of the result of the vote : Voting : 687 In favour : 539 Against : 70 Abstentions : 79	00:00:04
00:01:02	END	00:00:00

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