



**THE SENATE  
OF THE PARLIAMENT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC  
8<sup>TH</sup> TERM**

**266<sup>th</sup>**

**RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE**

Delivered on the 10<sup>th</sup> session held on 20 July 2011

**on Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions: Energy Efficiency Plan 2011 (Senate Press no. K 040/08)**

**The Senate**

**I.**

**1. Welcomes**

the Commission's effort to create a platform for the exchange of best practices in the field of energy savings in the EU;

**2. Believes,**

nevertheless, that as objectives in the field of energy savings are concerned, binding quantifying targets are not necessary even after 2013 and suggests to leave the choice of combination of policies and the degree of determination to Member States because establishing own procedures at Member States level will be more appropriate to their specific conditions;

**3. Is of the opinion,**

however, that if the European Commission proposes binding measures, it should bear in mind the minimising of their impacts on economic competition and on the administration of saving measures for an excessive number of subventions distorts the market and a complicated administration leads to a loss of competitiveness and an ineffective spending of resources;

**II.**

**1. Does not support** namely

- adoption of a binding legal instrument under whose provisions public authorities would be required to refurbish at least 3 % of their buildings (by floor area) each year;
- adoption of a binding provision in order to share costs related to improvement of the energy performance of buildings between their owners and tenants;
- the idea that new electric power generation should be conditional on its being combined with systems allowing the use of heat produced;

- 2. Considers,**  
in particular, the support of science, research and innovation as an essential element in reaching energy savings;

**III.**

**1. Requests**

the Government to inform the Senate about the way this position was taken into account and about further initiatives;

**2. Authorises**

the President of the Senate to forward this resolution to the European Commission.

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sign manual  
President of the Senate

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Senate Verifier