



THE SENATE  
OF THE PARLIAMENT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC  
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**RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE**

Delivered on the 15<sup>th</sup> session held on 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2015

**on the Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 2003/87/EC to enhance cost-effective emission reductions and low-carbon investments  
Senate Print No. N 029/10**

**on the 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  
Senate Print No. N 030/10**

**on the Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions Delivering a New Deal for Energy Consumers  
Senate Print No. K 031/10**

**on the Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions Launching the public consultation process on a new energy market design  
Senate Print No. K 032/10**

**The Senate**

**I.**

**1. Supports**

creating a resilient Energy Union with a forward-looking climate change policy, and also reducing greenhouse gas emissions as well as effective reshaping of the European electricity market and better position for the energy consumers in the EU;

**2. Points out**

that the Senate pays a long-term attention to energy and climate issues and has already expressed its position to many issues discussed in the presented documents that is still valid, the case in point being, for example, Resolution

No. 463 of 23th April 2014, in which the Senate expressed that it is not convinced that the EU ETS can effectively perform its function of a single EU instrument for reducing greenhouse gases, and therefore would welcome the initiation of discussions on other instruments;

**3. Agrees**

with the Government's position papers on the discussed documents as they correctly identify possible problematic aspects in the proposals for legislative acts and contribute, within the public consultation, to the overall debate on these issues in accord with the long-term position of the Senate;

**II.**

**1. Regards it as questionable**

that the proposal for a Regulation should allow incentives only for products within the top class of energy efficiency even though products from lower classes may, depending on the situation in individual states, also contribute to increasing energy efficiency; therefore the incentives should, in justified cases, also be applied to these products;

**2. Notes**

that the introduction of the proposed changes will necessarily be accompanied by increased administrative costs that could ultimately be reflected in the prices of end products and thus transferred to the customer;

**3. Points out**

that it is necessary to ensure that stable and unambiguous rules that would be clear and understandable especially for consumers, but also for producers and retailers should be maintained for energy labelling of products, and that any potential changes should be sufficiently and clearly communicated;

**4. Considers it essential,**

from the consumers point of view, that support for renewable energy sources should not cause excessive costs that would not be reasonably proportionate to benefits, and that the safety of energy infrastructure and thus energy supplies should be ensured;

**5. Recalls**

the long-term position of the Senate formulated in Resolution No. 145 of 17th June 2015 on the Paris Protocol, in which the Senate, besides other issues, repeatedly emphasised that the commitments regarding the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions must be adopted globally since unilateral emission reductions will have only a limited effect, for which the EU will pay with a decline in the competitiveness of its economy;

**6. Is of the opinion**

that the proposal for a Regulation authorizes the Commission to adopt delegated acts in an excessive number of cases and excessive scope, which considerably complicates a comprehensive assessment of the proposal in the EU legislative procedure; therefore the Senate favours deepening of the substantive regulation of these issues in the very proposal for a Regulation;

**III.**

**1. Requests**

the Government to inform the Senate about the way this position was taken into account and to provide the Senate with further information on the proceeding of negotiations;

**2. Authorises**

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

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