

# THE SENATE OF THE PARLIAMENT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC $11^{TH}$ TERM

# 340<sup>TH</sup>

# **RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE**

Delivered on the 12<sup>th</sup> session held on 15<sup>th</sup> February 2018

on the Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions The Future of Food and Farming /Senate Print no. K 087/11, COM(2017) 713/

### **The Senate**

I.

### 1. Discussed

the Communication from the Commission on the Common Agriculture Policy (CAP) after 2020 "The Future of Food and Farming";

### 2. Notes

that the CAP should continue to be the essential tool for securing the strategic level of food production in the EU, sustainable management of natural resources, sustainable development of rural areas and at the same time effectively tackle other serious current issues (population growth, climate changes, protection of biodiversity, soil degradation);

### II.

# 1. Supports

- a) the proposed model in which the Member States have a greater share of responsibility for the use of funds that they will receive from the CAP;
- b) the effort of the Commission to replace the current system of climate and agroenvironmental measures with a new flexible approach that would be more effective in delivering environmental and climate goals;
- c) a greater emphasis, within the rural development policy, on the promotion of innovation, investment, use of digital technologies or diversification of farm activities;

# 2. Agrees

with the generational renewal of farmers as one of the priorities of CAP after 2020, since the age structure of agricultural population constitutes serious issue in most of the Member States;

# III.

# 1. Requests

the Government to inform the Senate about the way this resolution was taken into account;

### 2. Authorises

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

Milan Štěch sign manual President of the Senate

> Pavel Štohl sign manual Senate Verifier