



SENATE  
OF THE PARLIAMENT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC

13<sup>TH</sup> TERM

530<sup>th</sup>

**RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE**

Delivered on the 27<sup>th</sup> session held on 20<sup>th</sup> July 2022

**on Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive (EU) 2018/2001 on the promotion of the use of energy from renewable sources, Directive 2010/31/EU on the energy performance of buildings and Directive 2012/27/EU on energy efficiency /Senate Print no. N 182/13, COM(2022) 222/**

**The Senate**

- I.**
- 1. Perceives positively**  
the Commission's efforts to address the EU's dependence on fossil fuels, high energy prices and ensuring energy security and is aware that renewable sources and energy savings play an important role in this respect;
  - 2. Recalls**  
that the Czech Republic includes among the long-term and stable energy sources also nuclear energy which will beside renewable sources play a crucial role in the energy mix when ensuring energy security;
  - 3. Is convinced**  
that the fact the Commission has not submitted an impact assessment on such an important and politically sensitive issue as raising binding targets for renewable sources of energy, energy efficiency and requirements for the installation of solar technologies cannot be fully justified by the need to react quickly to the changed situation on the energy raw materials markets; if the Directive is presented without an impact assessment in a situation of considerable uncertainty, it must be much more flexible in order to enable Member States to overcome during its implementation any fallacious or unrealistic assumptions made by the Commission regarding the achievability of the targets within the set deadlines in individual Member States;

## *Courtesy translation*

### **4. Agrees**

with the Government's framework position, in particular with regard to:

- respecting the different conditions and possibilities of individual EU Member States in meeting the set targets for renewable sources and energy efficiency which must be cost-effective and technically, practically and temporally feasible at the same time;
- encouraging the acceleration and simplification of permit-granting processes for renewable sources projects;
- the promotion of solar energy which should not be prioritized over other types of renewable sources in order to preserve the principle of technological neutrality;

### **5. Points out, however,**

in the context of the deployment of solar technologies, the need to take into account material availability, possible instability of supply chains, sufficient amount of skilled working labour, readiness of distribution and transmission systems as well as the financial impacts of the subsequent recycling or disposal of solar technologies at the end of their service life;

### **6. Considers**

the establishment of contact points which shall guide the applicants through and facilitate the entire administrative permit application and granting process to be beneficial;

### **7. Supports the Government**

in providing subsidies for the construction of photovoltaic power plants and other solar devices and for energy savings in public buildings;

### **8. Requests the Government**

to continue to take part in calls for proposals under the Technical Support Instrument which can help with the practical implementation of the proposed measures set out in the submitted Proposal for a Directive;

## **II.**

### **1. Requests**

the Government to inform the Senate no later than on 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022 about the way this Resolution was taken into account;

### **2. Authorises**

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

Miloš Vystrčil  
sign manual  
President of the Senate

Jaroslav Chalupský  
sign manual  
Senate Verifier