



SENATE
OF THE PARLIAMENT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC

13TH TERM

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RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE

Delivered on the 30th session held on 12th October 2022

on the Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the European Council, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions on the Conference on the Future of Europe Putting Vision into Concrete Action /Senate Print no. K 196/13, COM(2022) 404/

The Senate

- I.**
- 1. Got acquainted**
with the Communication in which the Commission analyses what is necessary to implement the proposals arising from the Conference on the Future of Europe;
 - 2. Appreciates**
the work of citizens and representatives of participating institutions and their agreement on the need to strengthen European security, economic independence, social security and values of democracy and rule of law;
 - 3. Appreciates as well**
the agreement on the need for strengthening the EU's capacity for action; stresses, however, that priority should be given to instruments provided by the existing legal framework, and that in a time of war in Europe we should not exhaust ourselves in arguments about such institutional changes, that evidently are not consensually supported among Member States at the moment;
 - 4. Appeals**
to the EU authorities to thoroughly assess proposals submitted by European citizens at the Conference and consider possibilities of their implementation within their remits;

II.

Is of the opinion, in the field of health policy,

- that the EU's primary law, in particular Article 168 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the EU, provides an adequate legal basis for most of the proposed health initiatives and that a number of proposals made at the Conference have already been submitted by the Commission;
- that a number of health initiatives introduced in response to the period of the COVID-19 pandemic have been approved due to the existence of political will for a common European solution;
- that it is appropriate to wait, first, for completion of the legislative process and/or to evaluate the implementation of new European initiatives in the field of health, which are mainly proposals concerning the European Health Union, the launch of the EU Health Emergency Preparedness and Response Authority (HERA) and the European health data space, before any more extensive changes to the Treaties;

III.

1. Requests

the Government to inform the Senate no later than on 31st January 2023 about the way this Resolution was taken into account and about the further development of negotiations;

2. Authorises

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

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Senate Verifier