

ITALIAN SENATE OF THE REPUBLIC
COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE
14TH STANDING COMMITTEE
(European Union Policies)

pursuant to Senate Rule 144(1)

(Rapporteur: SIRCANA)

Rome, 17 November 2010

Comments on:

Proposal for a directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 2000/25/EC as regards the provisions for tractors placed on the market under the flexibility scheme (COM (2010) 607 final)

The 14th Standing Committee, following consideration of the aforementioned document,

[...]

expresses, insofar as its remit is concerned, a positive opinion with the following qualifications:

the legal basis is properly identified [...];

the proposal appears to comply with the subsidiarity principle [...];

the proposal appears to comply with the proportionality principle [...];

the proposal meets the industry's need to bear the implementation costs necessary in order to adapt to the new legal requirements for the purposes of re-designing the engines and developing advanced technical solutions; such costs are aggravated by the economic recession in the sector concerned. The amendments proposed do not prejudice the objective of Directive 2000/25/EC to protect human health and the environment by reducing the emission of pollutants by engines intended to power agricultural or forestry tractors.