

## Parlamentul României Senat

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## **OPINION**

of the ROMANIAN SENATE, on the

Proposal for a for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on consumer product safety and repealing Council Directive 67/357/EEC and Directive 2001/95/EC - COM (2013) 78 final

The Senate of Romania has checked the compliance with the subsidiarity and proportionality principles of the Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on consumer product safety and repealing Council Directive 67/357/EEC and Directive 2001/95/EC, according to the provisions of the Treaty of Lisbon (Protocol no.2).

Taking into account the report of our permanent Committee on economy, industry and services, the Plenum of the Senate, during its session on the 2nd of April 2013, has found that the mentioned proposal is in compliance with the principle of subsidiarity and with the principle of proportionality, since, inside the Internal Market, where goods can move freely, the rules on product safety can be achieved efficiently only at the EU level. This will prevent Member States to adopt various regulations on product, which would lead to the fragmentation of the Single Market.

Using thet form, Regulation, the proposal constitutes an appropriate legal instrument as it imposes clear and detailed rules, that will be in force uniformly and simultaneously throughout the Union.

Regarding the background of the document, under the analysis, resulted the need to amend the text of Article 7, paragraph 3, in order to increase the level of consumer protection, using the correct and complete indication of the home state.

The amendment contained in the report is:

"3. Where the country of origin as determinated in accordance with paragraph 2 is an Union Member State, manufacturers and importers will refer to that State"

instead of:

"3. Where the country of origin determinated in accordance with paragraph 2 is a Member State of the Union, manufacturers and importers may refer to the Union or to a particular Member State."

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