



Parlamentul României
Senat

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OPINION

**of the SENATE OF ROMANIA on the
Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down
certain transitional provisions on support for rural development by the European
Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD) and amending Regulation (EU) No
[...] [RD] as regards resources and their distribution in respect of the year 2014 and
amending Council Regulation (EC) No 73/2009 and Regulations (EU) No [...] [DP], (EU) No
[...] [HZ] and (EU) No [...] [sCMO] as regards their application in the year 2014**

COM(2013) 226 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 laying down certain transitional provisions on support for rural development by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD) and amending Regulation (EU) No [...] [RD] as regards resources and their distribution in respect of the year 2014 and amending Council Regulation (EC) No 73/2009 and Regulations (EU) No [...] [DP], (EU) No [...] [HZ] and (EU) No [...] [sCMO] as regards their application in the year 2014 – COM (2013)226 final**, according to the provisions of the Treaty of Lisbon (Protocol no.2).

Taking into account the joint report of the Committee for European Affairs and the Committee for Agriculture, Silviculture and Rural Development, **the Plenum of the Senate**, during its session of the 11th June 2013, has found that the examined proposal is in compliance with the principles of subsidiarity and proportionality. Following the analysis of the content of the proposal and in the perspective of the negotiations to come, the Senate underlines that welcomes this initiative of the European Commission, but it would be useful to introduce transitional provisions, at European level also for the measures "Supporting semi-subsistence farms" and "Setting up producer groups". Given that the transitional provisions on support for rural development ensure the transition from current to future financial exercise on support for rural development by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development and considering the scale and the effects of the envisaged action, the application of these provisions at European level is the most appropriate for achieving the objectives of rural development.

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