

PARLIAMENT OF ROMANIA

CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES

DECISION

approving the Opinion on the proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 2008/98/EC on waste (COM(2015) 595)

Pursuant to Articles 67 and 148 of the Romanian Constitution, republished, Law No 373/2013 on cooperation between Parliament and the Government in the area of European affairs, and Rules 160 to 185 of the Rules of Procedure of the Chamber of Deputies, republished,

the **Chamber of Deputies** hereby adopts this Decision:

Sole Article - Having regard to Opinion No 4 c-19/258 adopted by the Committee for European Affairs at its meeting of 15 March 2016, the Chamber of Deputies:

1. Points out that while it is recognised that waste prevention is the most effective way of improving resource efficiency and reducing the impact of waste on the environment, it is up to Member States to decide on appropriate measures to prevent waste production and to monitor and assess progress in the implementation of these measures, which could have unintended effects on the free movement of goods.
2. Expresses its concerns at the overly general nature of the rule laid down by Article 9 *Waste prevention* and expresses the hope that the European Commission will find a way to make the article more specific and enforceable.
3. Points out that while it welcomes the call on Member States to take environmental and economic measures to prevent food waste and considers harmonised reporting (based on a standardised methodology) on progress to reduce food waste to be justified, this is not sufficient to achieve the declared objective. What is required is an exchange of good practice accompanied by more effective education on healthy living and proper eating, starting at school age, and we consider that this demands concerted action at the EU level in the form of at least a Recommendation.
4. Recommends that the guidelines issued, which state the need for long-term policy objectives to guide measures and investments, particularly to prevent the creation of structural overcapacity and the trapping of recyclable materials at the bottom of the waste hierarchy, be put into practice through clear rules and policies at the EU level.
5. Expresses its reservations about the establishment of the list of construction and demolition waste by a delegated act and about the definition of preparations for re-use set out in the delegated act.

6. Acknowledges that the objectives of the proposal can be achieved only through measures at EU level and that the proposal does not go beyond what is necessary and therefore complies with the subsidiarity principle.

This decision was adopted by the Chamber of Deputies at the session of 6 April 2016 in compliance with Article 76(2) of the Romanian Constitution, republished.

for the President of the Chamber of Deputies

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Florin IORDACHE

Bucharest, 6 April 2016

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