



Parliament of Romania
Senate

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OPINION

of the SENATE OF ROMANIA

on the Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the inclusion of greenhouse gas emissions and removals from land use, land use change and forestry into the 2030 climate and energy framework and amending Regulation No 525/2013 of the European Parliament and the Council on a mechanism for monitoring and reporting greenhouse gas emissions and other information relevant to climate change

COM (2016) 479 final

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Taking into account the report of the Committee for European Affairs no. LXII/681/18.10.2016, **the plenum of the Senate**, during its session of 24th October 2016, has decided the following:

- (1) It is ascertained that this proposal of Regulation complies with the principles of subsidiarity and proportionality.

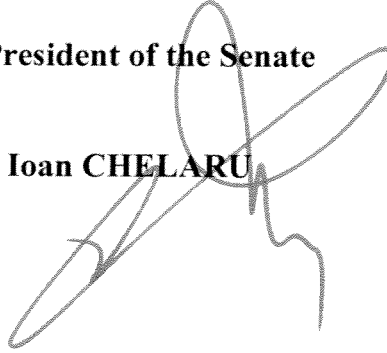
The proposal is part of the Energy Union Package and implements the EU's commitments under the Paris Agreement on Climate Change. The proposal sets out how the LULUCF sector will be included in the EU policy framework on climate, since 2021, so that the optimal functioning of the single market be not adversely affected by rules of reporting and counting different from one Member State to another. The proposed approach eliminates the parallel reporting framework stipulated by the Kyoto Protocol and harmonizes the system with the CCONUSC reporting framework "based on land". The Member States may benefit of flexibility mechanisms as support in the achievement of objectives.

- (2) It is considered that Romania participates at the EU's efforts in the climate change field and supports the adoption of the legislative tools for the implementation of the *2030 Framework* allowing the achievement of the commitments assumed by the EU and the Member States, in this field.

- (3) It is recommended and underlined the fact that, at the establishment of the national targets of reduction, it is extremely important to ensure the economic convergence between all the Member States, including by reducing the macroeconomic disparities in the EU.

p. President of the Senate

Ioan CHELARU

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of several loops and a long horizontal stroke, positioned over the printed name 'Ioan CHELARU'.