



Parlamentul României
Senat

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**OPINION of the ROMANIAN SENATE
on the Proposal for a
DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL
amending Directive 2004/37/EC on the protection of workers from the risks related
to exposure to carcinogens or mutagens at work
COM (2017) 11 final**

The Romanian Senate, pursuant to art.67,art.148 (2) and (3) of the Romanian Constitution and the Protocol no.2 annexed to the Treaty of Lisbon amending the Treaty on European Union and the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, ratified by Law no.13/2008, has examined the **proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Directive 2004/37/EC on the protection of workers from the risks related to exposure to carcinogens or mutagens at work, COM (2017) 11 final**

Considering the Report of the Committee for European Affairs, the Romanian Senate, issued on the 7-th of March 2017, an OPINION, as follows:

This act establishes limit values for occupational exposure of workers to carcinogens or mutagens at EU level, through the following specific measures:

- The inclusion in the Annex I to Directive 2004/37 / EC of professional activities involving exposure to mineral oils that have been previously used in internal combustion engines to lubricate and cool the moving parts of the engine;
- Establishing in Annex III to Directive 2004/37 / EC of the exposure limit values for five carcinogens or mutagens, as well as some additions observations on the skin for seven carcinogens.
- When establishing limit values proposed by the European Commission have been taken into account socioeconomic factors Feasibility after extensive discussion with all stakeholders Romania:
 - Will not be obliged to amend the limit values set at the national level that are lower than those at European level, will be in line with those values which are greater than those planned at national level for the following agents: Trichloroethylene 4,4 - Metilennyline, 1,2-dichloroethane.
 - Transposed by two Government Decision (GD no. 1093/2006 and GD nr.1218 / 2006) provisions of Directive 2004/37 / EC will be amended after the adoption of this draft directive.
 - Considers important to improve health protection by reducing occupational exposure to carcinogenic chemicals.

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