

Romanian Parliament Senate

Bucharest, March 7, 2017

OPINION

Regarding the Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on port reception facilities for the delivery of waste from ships, repealing Directive 2000/59/EC and amending Directive 2009/16/EC and Directive 2010/65/EU

COM (2018) 33 final

The Romanian Senate examined the Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on port reception facilities for the delivery of waste from ships, repealing Directive 2000/59/EC and amending Directive 2009/16/EC and Directive 2010/65/EU – COM (2018) 33 final – according to the provisions of the Treaty of Lisbon (Protocol no. 2).

Taking into account the report of 77/ February 22, 2017 of our permanent Committee on European Affairs, the Plenum of the Senate, during its session of March 5, 2018, decided as follows:

- 1. This Regulation does not violates principles of subsidiarity and proportionality.
- 2. In the context of the taking over of ship-generated waste by port facilities, it is noted:
 - a) In the registration forms, after the waste column according to the MARPOL classification, it is necessary to add a heading with the European classification according to waste code, in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1013/2006 on the same standard form proposed in Annex 2. This will improve the port administrations work in monitoring, managing and reporting on a monthly basis to environmental agencies, traceability of landfill collection, neutralization or destruction;
 - b) The obligation to collect on board and to hand over the waste code will ensure more effective management by the port authorities. This will ensure a more efficient management of the transfer to landfill facilities; based on Subsection (12);

- c) For Member States that have sea-going, the provisions of the draft Directive should be extended to European ports on inland waterways, based on Subsection 32;
- d) Romania faces a massive and continuous avalanche of waste on the Danube coming from the Pan-European Corridor No.7. Being downstream, all the waste discharged along the Danube and the Rhine reach the Danube Delta and the Black Sea. The pollution phenomenon should not be ignored, considering that it affects the groundwater, the Danube ecosystem and the European citizens food security. (For example, Danube fish accumulate heavy metals and ship waste and are subsequently used in human food, causing severe diseases to the population of the Danube area). National environmental authorities have no competence over river ships in the waste sector.

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