

Genetically modified food and feed: implementing powers conferred on the Commission

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The European Parliament adopted a report drafted by Karin **SCHEELE** (PES, AT) on the proposal for a regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 on genetically modified food and feed, as regards the implementing powers conferred on the Commission. It made some amendments to the proposal, most of which were designed to add to the list of areas where implementing measures should be adopted in accordance with the regulatory procedure with scrutiny, and rejecting the Commission's option of curtailing timeframes. Parliament's main amendments:

- reject the possibility of curtailing the timeframe on grounds of efficiency for the lowering of the threshold under which adventitious presence of unauthorised GMOs does not need to be labelled;
- introduce regulatory procedure with scrutiny as regards the rules relating to implementing measures concerning "labelling of GM foods";
- introduce regulatory procedure with scrutiny as regards the rules relating to implementing measures for specific rules concerning the information to be given by mass caterers;
- reject the possibility of curtailing the timeframe on grounds of efficiency;
- introduce the regulatory procedure with scrutiny as regards implementing measures concerning "labelling of GM feeds".