Stockfarming: prohibition of certain substances with hormonal or thyrostatic action, of beta-agonists

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The committee adopted the report by Karl-Erik OLSSON (ELDR, S) approving the proposal under the codecision procedure subject to a number of amendments designed mainly to tighten up the text. The committee supported the Commission's decision to apply the precautionary principle and hence to ban the use of the hormones in question. Pending reliable scientific findings, consumer health should be respected at all times and effective monitoring systems introduced. The committee introduced a new clause stipulating that the Commission would review the monitoring and control systems for meat imports from third countries and ensure that they were completely compatible with the principle of consumer protection.