Cosmetic products: animal experiments (7th amend. to "Cosmetics Directive" 76/768/EEC)

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The European Parliament adopted the report of Dagmar ROTH-BEHRENDT (PES, D). The debate started with an amendment by the EPP-ED group calling for the rejection of the whole Commission proposal (the seventh amendment to the cosmetics directive). However, this proposed amendment was rejected by 132: 191 : 8 votes. The amendments adopted in plenary called for not only the proposed testing ban, but also to preserve the ban on marketing. The ban should come into force immediately for ingredients where other validated testing methods exist, and in any case five years after the adoption of the directive. Another amendment asked for manufacturers who have carried out animal tests after the date of implementation to label the packaging with "Tested on animals" in easily legible lettering covering at least 20 % of the total surface area (for other amendments, please refer to the previous text).