Basic information

1998/0906(CNS) CNS - Consultation procedure	Procedure lapsed or withdrawn
Fight against crime and fraud: use of payment cards, information required for the offences **Subject** 7.30.30.06 Action to combat economic fraud and corruption	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
LIBE Civil Liberties and Internal Affairs	SCHMID Gerhard (PSE)	19/03/1998

Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
ECON Economic and Monetary Affairs, Industrial Policy	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	24/03/1998
JURI Legal Affairs, Citizens' Rights	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
ENVI Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	

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Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
03/02/1998	Legislative proposal published	05683/1998	Summary
09/03/1998	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
27/04/1998	Vote in committee		Summary
27/04/1998	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A4-0164/1998	
15/05/1998	Debate in Parliament		
01/05/1999	End of procedure in Parliament		

Technical information

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Procedure subtype	Legislation
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Stage reached in procedure	Procedure lapsed or withdrawn
Committee dossier	LIBE/4/09825

Documentation gateway

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Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A4-0164/1998 OJ C 167 01.06.1998, p. 0004	27/04/1998	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T4-0304/1998 OJ C 167 01.06.1998, p. 0289-0306	15/05/1998	Summary

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Additional information

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1998/0906(CNS) - 15/05/1998 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

In adopting the report by Mr Gerhard SCHMID (PSE, D) Parliament approved the joint action on payment cards in the context of action against organized crime, with the following amendments: - clearer definition of the acts covered by the joint action: the Member States should designate a point of contact responsible for forwarding and receiving requests concerning counterfeiting or misuse of payment cards or the misuse of information stored thereon; - in the course of their activities the law enforcement agencies could forward to the issuers of payment cards only strategic information comprising precise data on fraudulent transactions. These services might not pass on any personal data. Parliament also called for deletion of the provision that each Member State would decide on the nature and extent of information supplied which would change the nature of the aim of the joint action which sought to strengthen cooperation in this sector. Lastly, the tasks envisaged by this draft joint action should be assumed in the medium term by Europol following the entry into force of the Europol Convention.

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1998/0906(CNS) - 03/02/1998 - Legislative proposal

OBJECTIVE: to promote and facilitate the exchange of information concerning payment card crime by establishing a network of contact points in Member States. SUBSTANCE: organized fraud by means of payment cards is the source of considerable profit for fraudsters and encourages the development of organized crime. This proposal for a joint action seeks to establish a new type of cooperation between the law enforcement agencies of the Member States and bodies issuing payment cards. The joint action makes provision in particular for the establishment of a system for the exchange of information between these authorities and services when information is required for investigations into crimes committed in this field. To this end each Member State will designate or create a national contact point to forward or receive requests for information on the use or suspected use of payment cards in the furtherance of international organized crime. These national contact points so designated shall be points for liaison between Member States' competent agencies and agencies issuing payment cards and shall be linked to each other through a network. The nature of information which can be forwarded or requested relates to: - the identity of the issuer of the card, - the identity of the card holder or the account to which it relates, - in the event of fraudulent use, details concerns the fraudulent transactions, - the account number used by the fraudster, - information on the payment card system. There are provisions with regard to the confidentiality of the information exchanged and on respect for privacy and human rights in the context of the joint action.