

## Basic information

**2000/0055(CNS)**

CNS - Consultation procedure  
Decision

Procedure completed

Social protection: setting up an advisory committee

Repealed by [2003/0133\(CNS\)](#)

### Subject

4.10.10 Social protection, social security

## Key players

Council of the European Union

### Council configuration

### Meetings

### Date

Health

2281

2000-06-29

Social Affairs

2269

2000-06-06

## Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
13/03/2000	Legislative proposal published	COM(2000)0134 	Summary
06/06/2000	Debate in Council		
29/06/2000	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
29/06/2000	Additional information		
12/07/2000	Final act published in Official Journal		

## Technical information

Procedure reference	2000/0055(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Decision
Amendments and repeals	Repealed by <a href="#">2003/0133(CNS)</a>
Legal basis	EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 202
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	EMPL/5/13285

## Documentation gateway

## European Commission

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Legislative proposal	COM(2000)0134  OJ C 274 26.09.2000, p. 0012 E	13/03/2000	<a href="#">Summary</a>

## Additional information

Source	Document	Date
European Commission	<a href="#">EUR-Lex</a>	

## Final act

<a href="#">Decision 2000/0436</a> <a href="#">OJ L 172 12.07.2000, p. 0026-0027</a>	<a href="#">Summary</a>
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# Social protection: setting up an advisory committee

2000/0055(CNS) - 13/03/2000 - Legislative proposal

**PURPOSE** : to set up a Social Protection Committee in the context of a Community framework for closer cooperation in the field of social protection on the European level. **CONTENT** : this proposal for a Council Decision follows on from the Council's conclusions concerning the Communication on "A Concerted Strategy for Modernising Social Protection" (refer to document COM(1999)347). In the Communication, the Commission proposed that the Council endorsed a framework for closer co-operation in the field of social protection, based on the exchange of experiences, mutual concertation and evaluation of ongoing policy developments with a view to identifying best practices. The Commission identified 3 key elements to bring about this co-operation: - a group of high-level officials; - systematic use of the "Social Protection in Europe-report"; - involvement of all relevant actors. In light of the discussion on the Communication's suggestions in the Social Affairs Council in Luxembourg on the 22 October 1999, the Council Conclusions are taken into consideration. Thus, this proposal follows up these Council Conclusions (which range from highlighting the importance of the exchange of information, permanent dialogue to discussing the future of social protection) in order to set up, as soon as possible, this group of high-level officials. It is suggested to name this group "European Social Protection Committee" (ESPC). This title is to stress the analogous character of this group's work to the cooperation sui generis between the Member States and the European Commission, which existed in the field of employment before entering into force of the Amsterdam Treaty. Beside the creation of the ESPC, the other key instrument of the new mechanism for enhanced co-operation is the new Annual Social Protection-report which will be submitted to the Council.

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2000/0055(CNS) - 29/06/2000 - Final act

**PURPOSE** : to set up a Social Protection Committee. **COMMUNITY MEASURE** : Council Decision 2000/436/EC setting up a Social Protection Committee. **CONTENT** : the Decision aims to create a Social Protection Committee in charge of assisting the Council in the exercise of its responsibilities in the field of social protection. It shall be charged with: - following the developments of social protection policies in the Member States and in the Community; - to facilitate the exchange of information, expertise and good practice between the Member States and with the Commission; - to prepare an annual report on social protection to be presented to the Council. The Committee shall work, as appropriate, in cooperation with other relevant bodies and committees dealing with social and economic policy matters, such as the Employment Committee and the Economic Policy Guidelines and also establish appropriate contacts with the social contacts. The Committee may, at the request of the Council or the Commission or on its own initiative, prepare other reports or opinions or undertake other work in the area of its competence. **ENTRY INTO FORCE** : 29.06.2000.