Basic information

2001/0055(CNS) CNS - Consultation procedure Regulation	Procedure completed
Ethyl alcohol of agricultural origin: common organisation of the market CMO **Subject** 3.10.06.08 Wine, alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
AGRI Agriculture and Rural Development	AYUSO Pilar (PPE-DE)	21/03/2001

Former committee responsible	Former rapporteur	Appointed
AGRI Agriculture and Rural Development	AYUSO Pilar (PPE-DE)	21/03/2001

Former committee for opinion	Former rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
BUDG Budgets	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
JURI Legal Affairs and Internal Market	MACCORMICK Professor Sir Neil (V/ALE)	20/03/2001

Council of the European Union

Council configuration	Meetings	Date
Agriculture and Fisheries	2441	2002-06-27
Agriculture and Fisheries	2428	2002-05-27
Agriculture and Fisheries	2500	2003-04-08

European Commission

Commission DG	Commissioner
Justice and Consumers	

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
21/02/2001	Legislative proposal published	COM(2001)0101	Summary
15/03/2001	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
26/02/2002	Vote in committee		Summary
26/02/2002	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A5-0073/2002	
10/04/2002	Debate in Parliament		
11/04/2002	Decision by Parliament	T5-0177/2002	Summary
11/04/2002	Report referred back to committee		
27/05/2002	Debate in Council		
28/05/2002	Vote in committee		Summary
28/05/2002	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A5-0198/2002	
12/06/2002	Debate in Parliament		
13/06/2002	Decision by Parliament	T5-0315/2002	Summary
27/06/2002	Debate in Council		Summary
08/04/2003	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
08/04/2003	End of procedure in Parliament		
15/04/2003	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

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Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Regulation
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Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	AGRI/5/16186 AGRI/5/14471

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

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Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A5-0073/2002	26/02/2002	
Text adopted by Parliament, partial vote at 1st reading /single reading		T5-0177/2002 OJ C 127 29.05.2003, p. 0592-0643 E	11/04/2002	Summary

Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A5-0198/2002	28/05/2002	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T5-0315/2002 OJ C 261 30.10.2003, p. 0387-0524 E	13/06/2002	Summary

European Commission

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Legislative proposal	COM(2001)0101 OJ C 180 26.06.2001, p. 0146 E	21/02/2001	Summary

Other institutions and bodies

Institution/body	Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
EESC	Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report	CES0924/2001 OJ C 260 17.09.2001, p. 0033	11/07/2001	

Additional information

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Final act

Regulation 2003/0670
OJ L 097 15.04.2003, p. 0006-0010 Summary

Ethyl alcohol of agricultural origin: common organisation of the market CMO

2001/0055(CNS) - 08/04/2003 - Final act

PURPOSE : to establish specific measures in the sector of ethyl alcohol of agricultural origin. LEGISLATIVE ACT : Council Regulation 670/2003/EC laying down specific measures concerning the market in ethyl alcohol of agricultural origin. CONTENT : the Council adopted by qualified majority, the Italian delegation voting against, a Regulation laying down specific measures concerning the market in ethyl alcohol of agricultural origin. The main objectives of this proposal are to increase market information, monitor trade flows and establish a forum for discussion and preparing of decisions. The Regulation adopted includes in particular a provision on national aids monitored by the Commission under which, Germany is authorised to grant aids to its alcohol producers for an additional seven years period. The amount of aid granted per year cannot overshoot the amount of aid granted in 2002. A statement is also added regarding the possibility for Germany to grant compensatory aid in five equal instalments to a distiller, who voluntarily decides to leave the Monopoly. ENTRY INTO FORCE : 22/04/2003. It shall apply from 01/01/2004.

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2001/0055(CNS) - 11/04/2002 - Text adopted by Parliament, partial vote at 1st reading/single reading

Following the report by Maria del Pilar AYUSO GONZ GONZALEZ (EPP-ED, Spain), the European Parliament voted to refer the proposal on ethyl alcohol back to committee, after it had rejected the Commission's proposal.

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2001/0055(CNS) - 21/02/2001 - Legislative proposal

PURPOSE : to establish a framework of common rules for ethyl alcohol of agricultural origin. CONTENT : since 1 January 1998, the Commission has set up a monitoring system for alcohol imports under the Regulation on the General System of Preferences (GSP). The system has been extended, on a voluntary basis, to alcohol imports from ACP countries. Although effective in its monitoring role, the system is not a practical policy instrument to deal with import problems. In the past, several attempts to establish a common market organisation for agricultural alcohol were made but the socio-economic circumstances were different. The main objectives of this proposal are to increase market information, monitor trade flows and establish a forum for dicussion and preparing of decisions. The Council's request to consider the regulatory framework is limited to the following aspects: defintions, improved statistical information aimed at increased market transparency, a regime for import and export licences and the creation of an appropriate committee for the sector. Following consideration of the needs of the sector, this proposal is for a framework of common rules, in the form of a "lightweight" common market organisation. This incorporates the elements referred to by the Council and a number of additional elements, such as rules on State aid and a safeguard clause. All the measures proposed are traditionally found in other common market organisations for agriculture. The type of common market organisation proposed does not include intervention measures on the Community market. The proposal therefore has no financial implications.

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2001/0055(CNS) - 27/06/2002

Noting the lack of agreement within the Council on Article 10 (national aid) of the proposal for a Regulation on the common organisation of the market in ethyl alcohol of agricultural origin, the Council instructed the Special Committee on Agriculture to expedite its work with a view to seeking, with the assistance of the Commission, a positive outcome to the problems still outstanding and to submit to it a report on the subject to enable it to decide on the matter at a forthcoming meeting. As part of the compromise on agricultural prices for 2000/01 approved by the Council on 17 July 2000, the Commission had been asked to look into the advisability of introducing a regulatory framework for agricultural alcohol. The proposal was submitted to the Council on 23 February 2001.

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2001/0055(CNS) - 13/06/2002 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

The European Parliament adopted a resolution drafted by its rapporteur Maria Del Pilar AYUSO GONZALEZ (EPP-ED, Spain) amending the Commission's proposal. (Please refer to the document dated 28/05/02.) On the competition between the categories of alcohol, the Parliament pointed out that synthetic alcohol currently accounts for 50% of EU consumption and, except in the case of spirit drink where alcohol of agricultural origin is used exclusively, other industries can use alcohol of different origins indiscriminately.