Basic information

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Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
AFCO Constitutional Affairs	CASINI Carlo (PPE)	03/06/2010
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Key events

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16/12/2010	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
24/05/2011	Vote in committee		Summary
27/05/2011	Committee report tabled for plenary	A7-0197/2011	
23/06/2011	Decision by Parliament	T7-0277/2011	Summary
23/06/2011	Results of vote in Parliament		
23/06/2011	End of procedure in Parliament		

Technical information

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2010/2061(REG) - 23/06/2011 - Text adopted by Parliament, single reading

The European Parliament decided to amend Rule 51 of its Rules of Procedure on **procedures with joint committee meetings**:

1. When a question of competence is referred to it pursuant to Rule 188(2), the Conference of Presidents may decide that the procedure with joint meetings of committees and a joint vote is to be applied, provided that:

- by virtue of Annex VII, the matter falls indissociably within the competences of several committees; and
- it is satisfied that the question is of major importance.

2. In that event, the respective rapporteurs shall draw up a single draft report, which shall be examined and voted on by the committees concerned, under the joint chairmanship of the committee Chairs.

At all stages of the procedure, the rights attaching to the status of committee responsible may be exercised by the committees concerned only when they are acting jointly. The committees involved may set up working groups to prepare the meetings and votes.

3. At the second-reading stage of the ordinary legislative procedure, the Council position shall be considered at a joint meeting of the committees concerned, which, should no agreement be reached between their Chairs, shall be held on the Wednesday of the first week set aside for meetings of parliamentary bodies following the communication of the Council's position to Parliament. Should no agreement be reached on the convening of a further meeting, any such meeting shall be convened by the Chair of the Conference of Committee Chairs. The vote on the recommendation for second reading shall be taken at a joint meeting on the basis of a joint text drafted by the respective rapporteurs of the committees concerned or, in the absence of a joint text, on the basis of the amendments tabled in the committees concerned.

At the third-reading stage of the ordinary legislative procedure, the Chairs and rapporteurs of the committees concerned shall be ex officio members of the delegation to the Conciliation Committee.

The European Pariament points out that the amendment will enter into force on the first day of the next part-session.