

Possibility for the Member States to restrict or prohibit the use of genetically modified food and feed on their territory

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The European Parliament adopted by 577 votes to 75, with 38 abstentions, a legislative resolution on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 as regards the possibility for the Member States to restrict or prohibit the use of genetically modified food and feed on their territory.

In line with the recommendation by the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety, Parliament **rejected the Commission proposal** by 619 votes to 58, with 13 abstentions. It called on the Commission to withdraw its position.

In its resolution, Parliament recalled that the reasoned opinions submitted, within the framework of Protocol No 2 on the application of the principles of subsidiarity and proportionality, by the Belgian Chamber of Representatives, the Spanish Parliament, the Netherlands House of Representatives and the Austrian Federal Council, asserted that the draft legislative act does not comply with the principle of subsidiarity.