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Basic information	
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Feedingstuffs: particular nutritional purposes	
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Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	 ENVI Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection		01/05/1999
		PPE JACKSON Caroline	
	Former committee responsible		
Council of the European Union	 AGRI Agriculture and Rural Development		24/09/1997
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Key events			
25/07/1997	Legislative proposal published	COM(1997)0408	Summary
15/09/1997	Committee referral announced in Parliament, 1st reading		
21/01/1998	Vote in committee, 1st reading		Summary
21/01/1998	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading	A4-0020/1998	
19/02/1998	Debate in Parliament		Summary
19/02/1998	Decision by Parliament, 1st reading	T4-0085/1998	Summary
27/07/1998	Modified legislative proposal published	COM(1998)0484	Summary
26/07/1999	Vote in committee, 1st reading		
26/07/1999	Committee report tabled for plenary confirming Parliament's position	A5-0004/1999	
16/09/1999	Decision by Parliament, 1st reading	T5-0013/1999	Summary
11/12/2001	End of procedure in Parliament		
11/12/2001	Additional information		Summary

Technical information	
Procedure reference	1997/0208(COD)
Procedure type	COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure)
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Directive
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Stage reached in procedure	Procedure lapsed or withdrawn

Documentation gateway					
Legislative proposal		COM(1997)0408 OJ C 298 30.09.1997, p. 0010	25/07/1997	EC	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A4-0020/1998 OJ C 056 23.02.1998, p. 0003	21/01/1998	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T4-0085/1998 OJ C 080 16.03.1998, p. 0186-0220	19/02/1998	EP	Summary
Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report		CES0291/1998 OJ C 129 27.04.1998, p. 0054	25/02/1998	ESC	
Modified legislative proposal		COM(1998)0484 OJ C 273 02.09.1998, p. 0011	27/07/1998	EC	Summary
Reconsultation		SEC(1999)0581	28/04/1999	EC	
Committee final report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A5-0004/1999 OJ C 054 25.02.2000, p. 0010	26/07/1999	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament confirming position adopted at 1st reading		T5-0013/1999 OJ C 054 25.02.2000, p. 0055-0076	16/09/1999	EP	Summary

Additional information	
European Commission	EUR-Lex

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OBJECTIVE: to extend the scope of Directive 93/74/EEC to a new generation of products known as 'nutritional supplements for animals'.

CONTENT: as feedingstuffs with specific nutritional objectives, nutritional supplements for animals are designed to meet the needs of animals which are in certain physiological states or are living in particular environmental conditions. In order to prevent nutritional supplements evading all regulations, it is proposed, for safety reasons, to extend the principles applicable to feedingstuffs for particular nutritional purposes to this new generation of products. The nutritional supplements will therefore be subject to a Community registration procedure designed to verify their effectiveness and harmlessness. Licences will also be issued by the Commission, after consultation with the Standing Committee on animal feedingstuffs. The Commission will draw up a list of permitted supplements, indicating in each case the precise usage, the individual nutritional characteristics, the obligatory and optional declarations and the conditions of use. The general provisions which apply to feedingstuffs for particular nutritional purposes, in respect of controls, safeguards and freedom of movement, are also to be extended to nutritional supplements. ?

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The Committee unanimously adopted the report by Anne-Christine POISSON (UFE, F) on the directive on animal feedingstuffs. The aim of the new directive is to extend the scope of the existing directive: on the approval and registration of certain establishments and intermediaries operating in the animal feed sector. MEPs were glad to see that the Commission had taken on board the findings of Parliament's Committee of Inquiry into BSE. For these new directives, which come under food safety policy, the Commission has decided to use the codecision procedure (Article 100a of the Treaty), requiring Parliament and the Council to reach agreement before legislation can be adopted. Although the committee endorses the general philosophy and main points of the draft directives, it wants to introduce improvements.?

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The rapporteur stressed the importance of Parliament having secured the codecision procedure on this issue. This was in fact the first time that the Commission had proposed applying the procedure in accordance with Article 100a of the Treaty as a result of the commitments made to the Committee of Inquiry into BSE. Commissioner Oreja said that the Commission could accept Amendments Nos 1 to 10.

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In adopting the report by Mrs Anne-Christine POISSON (UPE, F), the European Parliament endorsed, with a number of amendments, the proposal for a directive on animal feed, seeking to introduce rules governing the new generation of products known as 'nutritional supplements'. Concerning the definition of the term 'nutritional supplements', Parliament specifies that they are intended to meet temporary nutritional needs (lasting no more than 8 days) in the case of animals the meat or products from which are intended for human consumption. They must not contain medical substances or growth promoters and must supplement rather than replace standard animal feed. ?

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The Commission's amended proposal incorporates 6 amendments by the European Parliament which clarify and strengthen the proposal. ?

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The Directorates General or responsible departments have asked for this proposal to be withdrawn. The reasons are indicated as follows: A) for objective reasons (change of de facto situation, objectives already achieved by other means, etc) B) because the Commission has now adopted another approach : - the proposal is replaced implicitly, - a new proposal is in preparation, - no planned replacement. ?