

Procedure file

| Basic information | |
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| CNS - Consultation procedure Regulation | 2000/0039(CNS) Procedure completed |
| Reliefs from duty: beer imports into Finland, temporary derogation (amend. Regulation (EEC) No 918/83) | |
| Subject 2.10.01 Customs union, tax and duty-free, Community transit 3.10.06.08 Wine, alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages | |
| Geographical area Finland | |

| Key players | | | |
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| European Parliament | Committee responsible | Rapporteur | Appointed |
| | ECON Economic and Monetary Affairs | PPE-DE LULLING Astrid | 21/03/2000 |
| Council of the European Union | Council configuration | Meeting | Date |
| | Budget | 2285 | 20/07/2000 |

| Key events | | | |
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| 23/02/2000 | Legislative proposal published | COM(2000)0076 | Summary |
| 17/03/2000 | Committee referral announced in Parliament | | |
| 25/05/2000 | Vote in committee | | Summary |
| 25/05/2000 | Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading | A5-0144/2000 | |
| 14/06/2000 | Decision by Parliament | T5-0265/2000 | Summary |
| 20/07/2000 | Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament | | |
| 20/07/2000 | End of procedure in Parliament | | |
| 29/07/2000 | Final act published in Official Journal | | |

| Technical information | |
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| Procedure reference | 2000/0039(CNS) |
| Procedure type | CNS - Consultation procedure |
| Procedure subtype | Legislation |

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| Legislative instrument | Regulation |
| Legal basis | EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 026 |
| Stage reached in procedure | Procedure completed |
| Committee dossier | ECON/5/12608 |

Documentation gateway

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| Legislative proposal | COM(2000)0076 | 23/02/2000 | EC | Summary |
| Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report | CES0581/2000 OJ C 204 18.07.2000, p. 0003 | 24/05/2000 | ESC | |
| Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading | A5-0144/2000 OJ C 067 01.03.2001, p. 0009 | 25/05/2000 | EP | |
| Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading | T5-0265/2000 OJ C 067 01.03.2001, p. 0065-0166 | 14/06/2000 | EP | Summary |

Additional information

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Final act

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| Regulation 2000/1671 OJ L 193 29.07.2000, p. 0011 Summary |
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Reliefs from duty: beer imports into Finland, temporary derogation (amend. Regulation (EEC) No 918/83)

PURPOSE : to amend Regulation 918/83/EEC as regards a temporary derogation for duty-free imports of beer into Finland. CONTENT : Finland has requested to be able to benefit from a derogation from the values set out in Regulation 918/83/EEC and has asked to apply a quantitative limitation for duty-free beer imports from third countries. Therefore, it is proposed to authorise Finland until 31/12/2005 to apply a quantitative limit of not less than 6 litres for duty-free imports of beer.?

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The committee adopted the report (consultation procedure) by Astrid LULLING (EPP/ED, L) approving, subject to a few non-binding amendments, the Commission proposal on amending the directives on temporary quantitative restrictions on beer imports into Finland. The proposal stemmed from a request by the Finnish government to prolong existing legislation limiting beer imports into Finland. Because of the high duty on beer in Finland, there had been a huge increase in private imports of beer from Russia and Estonia. One of the amendments adopted was designed to ensure there would be no discrimination against Estonia, should it join before 1 January 2006. Another amendment recognised that Finland had fiscal sovereignty with regard to excise duties, but pointed out that a reduction of excise differentials with other EU Member States could help to prevent an increase in cross-border shopping levels in future when Finland would be obliged to implement fully its single market responsibilities and hence to ease the current restrictions on intra-EU personal imports. ?

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In its first reading, the European Parliament adopted the resolution drafted by Astrid LULLING (EPP/ED, Luxembourg) amending the proposal on a temporary derogation for duty free imports of beer into Finland. Whilst no substantial amendments were made to the proposal, an addition to the recitals stated that Finland has fiscal sovereignty to apply excise taxes at a level it deems most appropriate. Whilst the provisions of this proposal do not affect that status, Finland may decide that a reduction of excise differentials with other Member States could help prevent an otherwise likely increase in cross-border shopping levels as the current restrictions on intra-EU personal imports are eased.?

Reliefs from duty: beer imports into Finland, temporary derogation (amend. Regulation (EEC) No 918/83)

PURPOSE : to amend Regulation 918/83/EEC as regards temporary restrictions on beer imports into Finland. COMMUNITY MEASURE : Council Regulation 1671/2000/EC amending Regulation 918/83/EEC as regards a temporary derogation for duty-free imports of beer into Finland. CONTENT : this Regulation has been amended so as to authorise Finland, until 31.12.2005, to apply a quantitative limit of no less than 6 litres for duty-free imports of beer. ENTRY INTO FORCE : this Regulation shall enter into force on 01.11.2000.?