Procedure file

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| Key players | | | |
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| European Parliament | Committee responsible | Rapporteur | Appointed |
| | ENVI Environment, Public Health and Food Safety | | 03/10/2006 |
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| | Agriculture and Fisheries | 2841 | 17/12/2007 |
| European Commission | Commission DG | Commissioner | |
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| Key events | | | |
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| 13/10/2006 | Legislative proposal published | COM(2006)0606 | Summary |
| 23/10/2006 | Committee referral announced in Parliament, 1st reading | | |
| 21/11/2006 | Vote in committee, 1st reading | | Summary |
| 23/11/2006 | Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading | A6-0403/2006 | |
| 07/06/2007 | Results of vote in Parliament | | |
| 07/06/2007 | Decision by Parliament, 1st reading | T6-0225/2007 | Summary |
| 17/12/2007 | Act adopted by Council after Parliament's 1st reading | | |
| 15/01/2008 | Final act signed | | |
| 15/01/2008 | End of procedure in Parliament | | |
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| Technical information | |
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| Procedure reference | 2006/0193(COD) |
| Procedure type | COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure) |
| Procedure subtype | Legislation |
| Legislative instrument | Regulation |
| | Amending Regulation (EC) No 1925/2006 2003/0262(COD) |
| Legal basis | EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 095 |
| Stage reached in procedure | Procedure completed |
| Committee dossier | ENVI/6/41636 |

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| For information | COM(2003)0671 | 10/11/2003 | EC | |
| Legislative proposal | COM(2006)0606 | 13/10/2006 | EC | Summary |
| Committee draft report | PE380.721 | 26/10/2006 | EP | |
| Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading | A6-0403/2006 | 23/11/2006 | EP | |
| Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report | CES1572/2006 | 13/12/2006 | ESC | |
| Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading | <u>T6-0225/2007</u> | 07/06/2007 | EP | Summary |
| Commission response to text adopted in plenary | SP(2007)3798/2 | 18/07/2007 | EC | |
| Draft final act | 03629/2007/LEX | 15/01/2008 | CSL | |

| Additional information | |
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| National parliaments | <u>IPEX</u> |
| European Commission | <u>EUR-Lex</u> |

Final act

Regulation 2008/108
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Addition of vitamins and minerals and of certain other substances to foods: Commission implementing powers

PURPOSE: to amend the European Parliament and Council Regulation on the addition of vitamins and minerals and of certain other substances to foods, to align it with Council Decision 2006/512/EC amending Decision 1999/468/EC laying down the procedures for the exercise of implementing powers conferred to the Commission (comitology).

PROPOSED ACT: Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council.

CONTENT: Decision 1999/468/EC has been amended by Decision 2006/512/EC, which introduced a regulatory procedure with scrutiny (see CNS/2002/0298) to be used for the adoption of implementing measures of general scope which seek to amend non-essential elements of a basic instrument adopted in accordance with the procedure referred to in Article 251 of the Treaty, including by deleting some of those elements or by supplementing the instrument by the addition of new non-essential elements.

The regulatory procedure with scrutiny should therefore be followed for measures of general scope designed to amend non-essential elements of this Regulation.

The present proposal aims to introduce in the Regulation on the addition of vitamins and minerals and of certain other substances to foods (see COD/2003/0262) reference to the new Regulatory procedure with scrutiny in all cases where the Commission is empowered to adopt

quasi-legislative measures within the meaning of Article 2 of Decision 1999/468/EC laying down the procedures for the exercise of implementing powers conferred to the Commission, as amended by Council Decision 2006/512/EC.

Due to the urgency of the matter it will be necessary that the adoption of this proposal by the Parliament and Council takes place by December 2006.

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The committee adopted the report by Karin SCHEELE (PES, AT) approving the proposal amending the new regulation on the addition of vitamins and minerals and of certain other substances to foods. The proposal was aimed at introducing into the regulation the new regulatory procedure with scrutiny that is now applicable for the exercise of implementing powers. The committee adopted a few technical amendments under the 1st reading of the codecision procedure.

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The European Parliament adopted a resolution drafted by Karin SCHEELE (PES, AT) and made some amendments to the proposal. These amendments are aimed at reinforcing Parliament's role by extending the areas in which the regulatory procedure with scrutiny should be applied and at defining more clearly areas likely to benefit from an accelerated procedure on compelling grounds of urgency. Negotiations conducted with the Commission and the Council with a view to reaching an agreement ahead of the plenary vote have resulted in a compromise package supported by all the political groups. Compared to the Commission's original proposal, Parliament's role in the execution of the Regulation has been strengthened considerably.

The regulatory procedure with scrutiny will be applied to the following areas:

- modifications to Annexes I and II to Regulation (EC) No 1925/2006;
- establishing additional foods to which particular vitamins or minerals may not be added;
- taking decisions to establish and/or amend the lists of authorised, prohibited or restricted other substances;
- defining the conditions under which vitamins and minerals may be used, such as purity criteria, maximum amounts, minimum amounts and other restrictions or prohibitions on the addition of vitamins and minerals to food;
- establishing derogations from certain provisions of the Regulation.

Furthermore, Parliament provided that, when, on imperative grounds of urgency, the normal time-limits for the regulatory procedure with scrutiny cannot be complied with, the Commission should be able to use the urgency procedure provided for in Article 5a(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC for the deletion of certain vitamins or minerals listed in the annexes and for the inclusion and amendment of certain other substances in Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 1925/2006.

Addition of vitamins and minerals and of certain other substances to foods: Commission implementing powers

PURPOSE: to amend the European Parliament and Council Regulation on the addition of vitamins and minerals and of certain other substances to foods, to align it with Council Decision 2006/512/EC amending Decision 1999/468/EC laying down the procedures for the exercise of implementing powers conferred to the Commission (comitology).

LEGISLATIVE ACT : Regulation (EC) N° 108/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) N° 1925/2006 on the addition of vitamins and minerals and of certain other substances to foods

CONTENT: Decision 1999/468/EC has been amended by Decision 2006/512/EC, which introduced a regulatory procedure with scrutiny (see CNS/2002/0298) to be used for the adoption of implementing measures of general scope which seek to amend non-essential elements of a basic instrument adopted in accordance with the procedure referred to in Article 251 of the Treaty, including by deleting some of those elements or by supplementing the instrument by the addition of new non-essential elements.

This Regulation provides that the regulatory procedure with scrutiny will be applied to the following areas:

- modifications to Annexes I and II to Regulation (EC) N° 1925/2006;
- establishing additional foods to which particular vitamins or minerals may not be added;
- taking decisions to establish and/or amend the lists of authorised, prohibited or restricted other substances;
- defining the conditions under which vitamins and minerals may be used, such as purity criteria, maximum amounts, minimum amounts and other restrictions or prohibitions on the addition of vitamins and minerals to food;
- establishing derogations from certain provisions of the Regulation.

Furthermore, when, on imperative grounds of urgency, the normal time-limits for the regulatory procedure with scrutiny cannot be complied with, the Commission will be able to use the urgency procedure provided for in Article 5a (6) of Decision 1999/468/EC for the deletion of certain vitamins or minerals listed in the annexes and for the inclusion and amendment of certain other substances in Annex III to Regulation (EC) N° 1925/2006.

ENTRY INTO FORCE: 04/03/2008.