


# Procedure file

Basic information		
CNS - Consultation procedure Regulation	<a href="#">1995/0809(CNS)</a>	Procedure completed
Decentralized Community agencies: Agency for security and health at work (amend. Regul. 2062/94/EC)		
Subject 4.15.15 Health and safety at work, occupational medicine 8.40.08 Agencies and bodies of the EU		

Key players			
<b>European Parliament</b>			
	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	<b>BUDG</b> Budgets		22/03/1995
		PPE <a href="#">KELLETT-BOWMAN Edward T.</a>	
	<b>JURI</b> Legal Affairs, Citizens' Rights		02/12/1994
		PPE <a href="#">PALACIO VALLELERSUNDI Ana</a>	
	<b>CONT</b> Budgetary Control	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
<b>Council of the European Union</b>			
	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	Social Affairs	<a href="#">1862</a>	29/06/1995

Key events			
18/12/1994	Initial legislative proposal published	<a href="#">COM(1994)0651</a>	
20/02/1995	Legislative proposal published	<a href="#">04824/1995</a>	Summary
13/03/1995	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
15/05/1995	Vote in committee		Summary
15/05/1995	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">A4-0103/1995</a>	
19/05/1995	Debate in Parliament		
19/05/1995	Decision by Parliament	<a href="#">T4-0278/1995</a>	Summary
29/06/1995	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
29/06/1995	End of procedure in Parliament		

Technical information	
Procedure reference	1995/0809(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Regulation
Legal basis	EC before Amsterdam E 235
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	EMPL/4/06440

Documentation gateway					
Initial legislative proposal		COM(1994)0651	18/12/1994	EC	
Legislative proposal		<a href="#">04824/1995</a>	20/02/1995	CSL	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		<a href="#">A4-0103/1995</a> <a href="#">OJ C 151 19.06.1995, p. 0014</a>	15/05/1995	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T4-0278/1995 <a href="#">OJ C 151 19.06.1995, p. 0363-0486</a>	19/05/1995	EP	Summary
Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report		<a href="#">CES0585/1995</a> <a href="#">OJ C 236 11.09.1995, p. 0045</a>	31/05/1995	ESC	Summary
Follow-up document		COM(2001)0163	23/03/2001	EC	Summary

Additional information	
European Commission	<a href="#">EUR-Lex</a>

Final act
<a href="#">Regulation 1995/1643</a> <a href="#">OJ L 156 07.07.1995, p. 0001</a> Summary

## Decentralized Community agencies: Agency for security and health at work (amend. Regul. 2062/94/EC)

The proposal seeks to introduce technical amendments to the Regulation establishing a European Agency for Safety and Health at Work. These amendments relate to the number of members of the Agency's Administrative Board following the enlargement of the Community. The Council decided to modify the legal basis of this proposal, basing it not on Article 169 of the Act of Accession of 1994 (as proposed by the Commission) but on Article 235 of the Treaty on European Union. The Council did introduce amendments, at its meeting of 20.02.1995, which went beyond a simple technical adjustment to the Regulation and has decided, as a result, to consult Parliament on the following points: - the Administrative Board would comprise 48 members, of whom 15 would represent the Member States, 15 the employers' organizations, 15 the employees' organizations and 3 the Commission; - the members' term of office would be for 3 years and was renewable; - decisions would be taken by a majority of two-thirds of the votes. ?

## Decentralized Community agencies: Agency for security and health at work (amend. Regul. 2062/94/EC)

The committee unanimously adopted a report by Mr SKINNER on a Commission proposal amending the 1994 Regulation establishing a European Agency for Safety and Health at Work in Bilbao, Spain. The proposal was needed to take account of the accession to the Community of Sweden, Finland and Austria on 1 January 1995. Parliament's report amended the Commission text to give more influence to

the representatives of both sides of industry vis-à-vis the Member States on the agency's administrative board. It also included a provision opening all areas of the agency's work to public scrutiny except where individual cases need to be kept confidential.

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The European Parliament approved this proposal for a regulation with the following amendments: - only certain decisions should be taken by a majority of two thirds of the votes of members (and not all decisions, as proposed by the Council), and each member of the Administrative Board would have one vote (instead of two votes in certain cases); - all members of the Agency (Administrative Board, members of staff, etc.) were required to ensure the confidentiality of certain information covered by the Agency (examination of files, in particular), including after their duties had ceased. ?

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The ESC was pleased to find that employers and workers from each Member State would be represented on the Administrative Board of the Agency, but considered that the proposal that gave two votes to each government representative could only be accepted for decisions pertaining to budgetary matters.

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The Council adopted Regulation (EC) No 1643/95 amending the Regulation establishing a European Agency for Safety and Health at Work. The main aim of these technical amendments was to take account of the enlargement of the Community. The amendments related mainly to the composition of the Agency's Administrative Board. It consisted of 48 members, of whom: . 15 members represented the Member States; . 15 members represented the employers' organisations; . 15 members represented the employees' organisations; . 3 members represented the Commission. The term of office of members of the Administrative Board was three years and was renewable. Decisions by the Board would be taken by a majority of two thirds of the votes. The Regulation would enter into force on 10 July 1995. ?

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The Commission presents, as a temporary measure, the progress report for the period 1996-2000, which provides a general overview of the progress, achieved in the operational set-up of the European Agency for the Safety and Health at Work, rather than a detailed performance evaluation towards its objectives. The precise evaluation of its performance, and the impact of the Agency's information activities, will be submitted to Council once the results of the extended evaluation launched are available and are analysed by the Commission. The report concentrates on the progress made in the following areas: - the information network - building the links : the aim is to link all existing occupational safety and health information through information technology (IT) to the Agency's network, and to ensure that it is easily accessible to the target users. This involves building up the IT infrastructure and expertise of the Agency, especially related to the Internet, to handle the relevant information; - information projects - developing safety and health knowledge: information projects are being undertaken by the Agency in partnership with its Focal Points with assistance from Thematic Networks, through external experts concerned on a particular topic, through studies on individual studies, or through topic centres designated to carry out a specific task for the Agency; - information services - communicating the safety and health message: the Agency shall use both its network and other media to fulfil its obligations to disseminate information on occupational safety and health as laid down by the Regulation. The Regulation foresees a role for the Agency in organising certain forms of information exchange such as conferences and seminars; - administrative arrangements. ?