











Procedure file

Basic information	
COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure) Directive	Awaiting Parliament's position in 1st reading
2021/0203(COD)	
Energy Efficiency Directive	
Subject 3.60.08 Energy efficiency	
Legislative priorities Joint Declaration 2021 Joint Declaration 2022	

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	ITRE Industry, Research and Energy	 FUGLSANG Niels	28/09/2021
		Shadow rapporteur	
		 WEISS Pernille	
		 DANTI Nicola	
		 PAULUS Jutta	
		 BUCHHEIT Markus	
		 TOBISZOWSKI Grzegorz	
		 PEREIRA Sandra	
	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	FEMM Women's Rights and Gender Equality		07/12/2021
		 KUHNE Alice	
	ENVI Environment, Public Health and Food Safety		21/09/2021
		 EVI Eleonora	
	TRAN Transport and Tourism		09/11/2021
		 BERENDSEN Tom	
	Committee for opinion on the recast technique	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	JURI Legal Affairs		01/07/2021



Key events

14/07/2021	Legislative proposal published	COM(2021)0558	Summary
13/09/2021	Committee referral announced in Parliament, 1st reading		
13/07/2022	Vote in committee, 1st reading		
26/07/2022	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading		

Forecasts

12/09/2022	Debate in plenary scheduled
------------	-----------------------------

Technical information

Procedure reference	2021/0203(COD)
Procedure type	COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure)
Procedure subtype	Recast
Legislative instrument	Directive
Legal basis	Treaty on the Functioning of the EU TFEU 194-p2; Rules of Procedure EP 110
Other legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 159
Mandatory consultation of other institutions	European Economic and Social Committee European Committee of the Regions
Stage reached in procedure	Awaiting Parliament's position in 1st reading
Committee dossier	ITRE/9/06937

Documentation gateway

Legislative proposal		COM(2021)0558	14/07/2021	EC	Summary
Document attached to the procedure		SEC(2021)0558	15/07/2021	EC	
Document attached to the procedure		SWD(2021)0623	15/07/2021	EC	
Document attached to the procedure		SWD(2021)0624	15/07/2021	EC	
Document attached to the procedure		SWD(2021)0625	15/07/2021	EC	
Document attached to the procedure		SWD(2021)0626	15/07/2021	EC	
Document attached to the procedure		SWD(2021)0627	15/07/2021	EC	
Reasoned opinion	CZ_SENATE	PE700.507	02/12/2021	NP	

Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report		CES2419/2021	08/12/2021	ESC	
Committee draft report		PE703.281	22/02/2022	EP	
Amendments tabled in committee		PE729.910	18/03/2022	EP	
Amendments tabled in committee		PE729.911	18/03/2022	EP	
Amendments tabled in committee		PE729.913	18/03/2022	EP	
Amendments tabled in committee		PE729.942	18/03/2022	EP	
Committee opinion	TRAN	PE704.563	05/04/2022	EP	
Opinion on the recast technique		PE731.587	20/04/2022	EP	
Committee of the Regions: opinion		CDR4548/2021	28/04/2022	CofR	
Committee opinion	ENVI	PE703.269	05/05/2022	EP	
Committee opinion	FEMM	PE703.261	12/05/2022	EP	

Additional information

Research document	Briefing	29/09/2021
-------------------	--------------------------	------------

Energy Efficiency Directive

PURPOSE: to recast the energy efficiency Directive in order to set a more ambitious binding annual target for reducing energy use at EU level.

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

ROLE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT: the European Parliament decides in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure and on an equal footing with the Council.

BACKGROUND: the energy efficiency Directive is an important element to progress towards climate neutrality by 2050, under which energy efficiency is to be treated as an energy source in its own right. Energy efficiency solutions should be considered as a guiding principle of the Union's energy policy and as the first option in planning and investment decisions, when setting new rules for the supply side and other policy areas.

While the energy savings potential remains large in all sectors, there is a particular challenge related to transport, as it is responsible for 30% of final energy consumption, and to buildings, since 75% of the EU building stock has a poor energy performance. Another important sector to which increasing attention is being paid is the information and communications technology (ICT) sector, which is responsible for 5-9% of the world's total electricity use and more than 2% of all emissions.

The European Green Deal launched a new growth strategy for the EU that aims to transform the EU into a fair and prosperous society, with a modern, resource-efficient and competitive economy. The [European Climate Law](#) has made the EU's climate neutrality target by 2050 legally binding.

The Commission has presented a complementary and interconnected set of proposals as part of the 2030 Climate and Energy Fit for 55 package to achieve the greenhouse gas emission reduction target of at least 55% compared to 1990. This Fit for 55 legislative package is the most comprehensive building block in the efforts to implement the ambitious new 2030 climate target, and all economic sectors and policies will need to make their contribution.

The Fit for 55 package, the Next Generation EU and the Multiannual Financial Framework for 2021-2027 will help to achieve the twin green and digital transitions that Europe is aiming for.

As part of this package, this proposal aims to reduce overall energy use, cut emissions and tackle energy poverty.

CONTENT: with this proposal, the Commission seeks to recast the energy efficiency Directive in order to set a more ambitious binding annual target for reducing energy use at EU level. It will guide how national contributions are established and almost double the annual energy saving obligation for Member States. The proposal thus will strengthen the different provisions of the energy efficiency Directive to ensure that it contributes optimally to the higher climate target of at least 55% GHG emissions reduction ambition for 2030, as set out in the Climate Target Plan.

The proposal includes provisions which substantially change Directive 2012/27/EU. In particular, it:

- sets an increased EU binding energy efficiency target for final and primary consumption, as well as indicative national energy efficiency contributions and provides a formula to Member States to calculate their contributions. The proposal requires Member States to collectively ensure a reduction of energy consumption of at least 9 % in 2030 compared to the projections of the 2020 Reference Scenario so that the Unions final energy consumption amounts to no more than 787 Mtoe and the Unions 2030 primary energy consumption amounts to no more than 1023 Mtoe in 2030;

- introduces a new provision on the energy efficiency first principle, to provide the legal basis for the application of the principle, while minimising the administrative burden. It includes an obligation to consider energy efficiency solutions in policy and investment decisions in energy systems and non-energy sectors, including social housing;
- introduces an obligation for the public sector to reduce its energy consumption for public services and installations of public bodies. This can be reached in any subsector of the public sector, including transport, public buildings, spatial planning and water and waste management amongst others;
- broadens the scope of the renovation obligation. The obligation will now be applied to all public bodies at all administration levels and in all sectors of public bodies activities, including healthcare, education and public housing, where the buildings are owned by public bodies. The public sector would be required to renovate 3% of its buildings each year to promote the wave of retrofits, create jobs and reduce energy consumption and costs to the taxpayer;
- strengthens public procurement provisions and includes a provision that contracting authorities may require that tenders disclose a Global Warming Potential of new buildings (numeric indicator in kgCO₂e/m² (of useful internal floor area) for each life cycle stage averaged for one year of a reference study period of 50 years), in particular for new buildings above 2000 square meters. It is linked to a provision aimed at increasing awareness to circular economy and whole life-cycle of carbon emissions in public procurement practices;
- obliges all Member States (including Cyprus and Malta) to reduce their final energy consumption by at least 1.5% per year between 2024 and 2030 and includes specific requirements for reducing energy poverty;
- requires energy management systems for the largest energy using companies;
- strengthens the protection of consumers introducing basic contractual rights for district heating, cooling and domestic hot water;
- strengthens the obligations towards consumers. Creation of one-stop shops, single points of contact and out-of-court mechanisms for the settlement of disputes are structures that will significantly help to empower customers and final users;
- introduces an obligation for Member States to implement energy efficiency improvement measures as a priority among vulnerable customers, people affected by energy poverty and, where applicable, people living in social housing, to alleviate energy poverty;
- lays down stricter planning and follow up of comprehensive assessments on heating and cooling, including the promotion of local and regional levels.

Transparency				
DANTI Nicola	Shadow rapporteur	ITRE	15/02/2022	Italgas
NIINISTÖ Ville	Shadow rapporteur	ITRE	25/02/2022	Knauf Energy Solutions
DANTI Nicola	Shadow rapporteur	ITRE	26/04/2022	Ariston S.p.A.
BUCHHEIT Markus	Shadow rapporteur	ITRE	27/04/2022	The European Steel Association (EUROFER)
DANTI Nicola	Shadow rapporteur	ITRE	11/05/2022	ItalCogen
DANTI Nicola	Shadow rapporteur	ITRE	11/05/2022	Edison Spa
PAULUS Jutta	Shadow rapporteur	ITRE	12/05/2022	Deutscher Städtetag
PAULUS Jutta	Shadow rapporteur	ITRE	17/05/2022	Permanent Representation of Czech Republic to the European Union
DANTI Nicola	Shadow rapporteur	ITRE	18/05/2022	Eni S.p.A.
PETERSEN Morten	Member	08/03/2022	European Alliance to Save Energy	