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**Amendment 50**

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on behalf of the ECR Group

**Report**

**A7-0174/2014**

**Margrete Auken**

Reducing the consumption of lightweight plastic carrier bags

COM(2013)0761 – C7-0392/2013 – 2013/0371(COD)

**Proposal for a directive**

**Recital 5 a (new)**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

*(5a) Measures to be taken by Member States may involve the use of economic instruments such as pricing, which has proved particularly effective to reduce the use of plastic carrier bags. Member States may encourage economic operators selling food not to provide plastic carrier bags other than very lightweight plastic carrier bags or alternatives to such very lightweight plastic carrier bags, free of charge at the point of sale of goods or products. Member States may also encourage economic operators selling solely non-food items not to provide plastic carrier bags free of charge at the point of sale of goods or products.*

Or. en

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**Amendment 51**

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**Proposal for a directive**

**Recital 6 a (new)**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

*(6a) Plastic carrier bags used to wrap humid, loose foods such as raw meat, fish and dairy and plastic bags used to hold unpackaged prepared foodstuffs or to carry unpackaged or loosely packaged food and beverages that are intended to be consumed immediately after or very shortly after purchase are required for food hygiene and should therefore be exempt from the scope of this Directive.*

Or. en

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**Amendment 52**

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**Proposal for a directive**

**Recital 6 b (new)**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

*(6b) Plastic bags made of compostable materials are less harmful to the environment than conventional plastic carrier bags, where bio-waste collection exists. Where the use of plastic bags provides important benefits, namely where very lightweight plastic carrier bags are used for dry loose, unpackaged foods such as fruits, vegetables and confectionery, those conventional very lightweight plastic carrier bags should be gradually replaced by very lightweight plastic carrier bags that are compostable, provided that bio-waste collection exists.*

Or. en

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**Proposal for a directive**

**Article 1 – point -1 (new)**

Directive 94/62/EC

Article 3 – point –2a (new)

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

***(-1) In Article 3, a new point -2a is inserted:***

***"-2a. "plastic carrier bags" shall mean bags, with or without handle, made of plastic materials as defined in point (1) of Article 3 of Regulation (EU) No 10/2011, which are supplied to consumers at the point of sale of goods or products for the purpose of carrying goods. Plastic carrier bags that are necessary for food hygiene to wrap humid, loose foods such as raw meat, fish and dairy and plastic bags to hold unpackaged prepared foodstuffs or to carry unpackaged or loosely packaged food and beverages that are intended to be consumed immediately after or very shortly after purchase shall not be considered as plastic carrier bags for the purposes of this Directive."***

Or. en

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**Amendment 54**

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**Proposal for a directive**

**Article 1 – point 2**

Directive 94/62/EC

Article 4 – paragraph 1a – subparagraph 2

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

*These measures may include the use of national reduction targets, economic instruments as well as marketing restrictions in derogation from Article 18 of this Directive.*

*Member States may use economic instruments to meet the requirements of this Directive. Such measures shall not, however, constitute a means of arbitrary discrimination or a disguised restriction on trade between Member States.*

Or. en