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OPINION

of the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development

for the Committee on Regional Development

on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 laying down common provisions on the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund, the Cohesion Fund, the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development and the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund and laying down general provisions on the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund, the Cohesion Fund and the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 as regards support to structural reforms in Member States
(COM(2017)0826 – C8-0432/2017 – 2017/0336(COD))

Rapporteur for opinion: Daniel Buda

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SHORT JUSTIFICATION

The Rapporteur takes note of the Commission proposal to open the possibility to Member States to fully or partially allocate the performance reserve embedded in the regulation to support structural reform commitments by the Member States. The decision to use the performance reserve for structural reforms would be completely to the discretion of the Member States, which are asked to make an official proposal for this reallocation including measures for the reform implementation, milestones, targets and a timetable. The Commission would assess the proposal and adopt a decision by an implementing act

The proposal of the European Commission intends to divert the amount allocated for the performance reserve to structural reforms. The current Common Provision Regulation (CPR) sets out in the Partnership Agreements that these allocations shall be used for specific priorities.

The rapporteur in the Committee for Agriculture and Rural Development considers that the funds allocated to the performance reserve should be spent as initially intended, since they target projects funded through the European Agriculture and Rural Development Fund.

Since using the money allocated to the performance reserve for structural reforms could divert this away from investments in agriculture and rural development, the rapporteur proposes to reject the Commission proposal amending the CPR.

The Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development calls on the Committee on Regional Development, as the committee responsible, to propose rejection of the Commission proposal.

PROCEDURE – COMMITTEE ASKED FOR OPINION

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Members present for the final vote	John Stuart Agnew, Clara Eugenia Aguilera García, Eric Andrieu, Richard Ashworth, Daniel Buda, Nicola Caputo, Matt Carthy, Jacques Colombier, Michel Dantin, Paolo De Castro, Albert Deß, Jørn Dohrmann, Herbert Dorfmann, Norbert Erdős, Luke Ming Flanagan, Karine Gloanec Maurin, Esther Herranz García, Jan Huitema, Martin Häusling, Peter Jahr, Ivan Jakovčić, Jarosław Kalinowski, Philippe Loiseau, Mairead McGuinness, Nuno Melo, Giulia Moi, Ulrike Müller, James Nicholson, Maria Noichl, Marijana Petir, Bronis Ropé, Maria Lidia Senra Rodríguez, Ricardo Serrão Santos, Czesław Adam Siekierski, Tibor Szanyi, Marco Zullo						
Substitutes present for the final vote	Franc Bogovič, Michela Giuffrida, Elsi Katainen, Anthea McIntyre, Momchil Nekov, Molly Scott Cato, Vladimir Urutchev, Thomas Waitz						
Substitutes under Rule 200(2) present for the final vote	Renata Briano						

FINAL VOTE BY ROLL CALL IN COMMITTEE ASKED FOR OPINION

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ALDE	Jan Huitema, Ivan Jakovčić, Elsi Katainen, Ulrike Müller
ECR	Zbigniew Kuźmiuk, Anthea McIntyre, James Nicholson
EFDD	John Stuart Agnew, Giulia Moi, Marco Zullo
ENF	Jacques Colombier, Philippe Loiseau
GUE/NGL	Matt Carthy, Luke Ming Flanagan, Maria Lidia Senra Rodríguez
PPE	Richard Ashworth, Franc Bogovič, Daniel Buda, Michel Dantin, Albert Deß, Herbert Dorfmann, Norbert Erdős, Esther Herranz García, Peter Jahr, Jarosław Kalinowski, Nuno Melo, Marijana Petir, Czesław Adam Siekierski, Vladimir Urutchev
S&D	Clara Eugenia Aguilera García, Eric Andrieu, Nicola Caputo, Paolo De Castro, Michela Giuffrida, Karine Gloanec Maurin, Momchil Nekov, Maria Noichl, Tibor Szanyi
VERTS/ALE	Bronis Ropë, Molly Scott Cato, Thomas Waitz

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- : against

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