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AMENDMENTS

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Draft opinion

Peter Liese

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Energy Efficiency Directive (2012/27/EU)

(2015/2232(INI))

Amendment 1
Peter Liese

Draft opinion
Recital A a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Aa. whereas after the successful agreement of the COP21 in Paris the European Union is more than ever obliged to achieve its climate targets and energy efficiency is one of the most cost efficient ways to achieve the reduction of CO₂ emissions;

Or. en

Amendment 2
Peter Liese

Draft opinion
Recital A b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Ab. whereas in 2014 the European Union spent 358 billion Euro per year for energy imports, meaning almost 1 bn Euro per day¹, which is more than the total deficit of Greece (317 bn Euro)² and almost as much as the total turnover of the German car industry (367.9 bn Euro)³ in 2014;

¹ Source: European Commission

² Eurostat (2015): *Bereitstellung der Daten zu Defizit und Schuldenstand 2014 - erste Meldung.*
<http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/documents/2995521/6796753/2-21042015-AP-DE.pdf/28a7cf93-61e6-4a81-85c7-1a168866e3ba>

³ Statista (2016): *Umsatz der Automobilindustrie in Deutschland in den Jahren 2005 bis 2014 (in Milliarden Euro).*
<http://de.statista.com/statistik/daten/studie/160479/umfrage/umsatz-der-deutschen-automobilindustrie/>

Amendment 3
Davor Škrlec

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

1. Emphasises that energy efficiency is crucial to achieving our climate targets and to reducing our dependence on energy imports;

Amendment

1. Emphasises that ***improving*** energy efficiency is crucial to achieving our climate targets ***and starting the transition towards a more sustainable energy system, to creating jobs and growth - especially in SMEs and industry, to increasing productivity*** and to reducing our dependence on energy imports;

Or. en

Amendment 4
Soledad Cabezón Ruiz

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

1. Emphasises that energy efficiency is crucial to achieving our climate targets and to reducing our dependence on energy imports;

Amendment

1. Emphasises that energy efficiency ***as first fuel*** is crucial to achieving our climate targets and ***fostering our transition towards a more sustainable energy system, to making energy more affordable for consumers, to generating net employment generation and*** to reducing our dependence on energy imports;

Or. en

Amendment 5
José Inácio Faria

**Draft opinion
Paragraph 1**

Draft opinion

1. Emphasises that energy efficiency is crucial to achieving our climate targets and to reducing our dependence on energy imports;

Amendment

1. Emphasises that energy efficiency is crucial to achieving our climate targets and to reducing our dependence on energy imports; ***Notes that the private and public building sectors account for a major stake in energy consumption in the EU; Calls on Member States to promote investment in these sectors as a means to reduce CO₂ emissions, improve energy security, promote job creation and to diminish energy poverty;***

Or. en

**Amendment 6
Piernicola Pedicini, Marco Affronte, Eleonora Evi**

**Draft opinion
Paragraph 1**

Draft opinion

1. Emphasises that energy efficiency is crucial to achieving our climate targets ***and*** to reducing our dependence on energy imports;

Amendment

1. Emphasises that energy efficiency is crucial to achieving our climate targets, to reducing our dependence on energy imports ***and to facilitating the transition towards an energy system based on renewables and away from fossil fuels as soon as possible;***

Or. it

**Amendment 7
Kateřina Konečná**

**Draft opinion
Paragraph 1**

Draft opinion

1. Emphasises that energy efficiency is crucial to achieving our climate targets and to reducing our dependence on energy imports;

Amendment

1. Emphasises that energy efficiency is crucial to achieving our climate targets ***within the objectives endorsed in the Paris COP 21 agreement*** and to reducing our dependence on energy imports; ***notes that buildings account for 40% of energy use in the EU, and that improving the energy efficiency of buildings is therefore of prime importance in reducing CO₂ emissions and improving energy security, as well as for ending fuel poverty and improving health;***

Or. en

Amendment 8
Peter Liese

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

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Amendment

1. Emphasises that ***improving*** energy efficiency is crucial to achieving our climate targets ***and starting the transition towards a more sustainable energy system, to creating jobs and growth - especially in SMEs and industry, to increasing productivity, to enhancing comfort and health,*** and to reducing our dependence on energy imports;

Or. en

Amendment 9
Sirpa Pietikäinen

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

1. Emphasises that energy efficiency is ***crucial to achieving our climate targets*** and to reducing our dependence on energy imports;

Amendment

1. Emphasises that ***improving*** energy efficiency is ***the EU's first and strategic measure to enable post-Paris climate action, to create jobs and sustainable growth***, and to reducing our dependence on energy imports;

Or. en

Amendment 10
Marijana Petir

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Expresses disquiet at the Commission's assessment, as set out in its communication of 23 July 2014 to Parliament and the Council, that, if the current pace is maintained, the EU's 20% energy saving target will not be reached by 2020 and the actual rate will be 1% to 2% lower; calls on the Commission to encourage Member States to invest additional efforts and take measures to ensure that this European target will be met;

Or. hr

Amendment 11
Josu Juaristi Abaunz

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Maintains that the Paris Agreement (COP 21) has to be accompanied by

national emissions plans with unequivocal and verifiable commitments on emissions and energy that ensure an undertaking is made to prevent global warming by more than 2 degrees;

Or. es

Amendment 12
Davor Škrlec

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Recalls that energy efficiency is conducive to economic growth and creates local jobs, also contributing to European re-industrialisation objectives;

Or. en

Amendment 13
Davor Škrlec

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1b. Notes that buildings account for 40% of final energy use and 36% CO₂ emissions while 50% of final energy consumption is used for heating and cooling, 80% of which in buildings; consequently calls for more efforts to incentivise deep renovation of poorly insulated buildings stock in the EU;

Or. en

Amendment 14
Sylvie Goddyn, Jean-François Jalkh, Mireille D'Ornano

Draft opinion
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2. Stresses that *common efforts by the EU will help to create a common market for goods and services that help to save energy, which will bring down costs for consumers and create a more level playing field for industry;*

Amendment

2. Stresses that EU *policies are weakening European industry and leading to plant relocations which are having a lasting impact on our energy balance, in the form of increasing imports, and plunging people into unemployment and energy precarity;*

Or. fr

Amendment 15
Kateřina Konečná

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

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2. Stresses that common efforts by the EU will help to create a common market for goods and services that help to save energy, which will bring down costs for consumers and create a more level playing field for industry;

Amendment

2. Stresses that common efforts by the EU will help *both* to create a common market for goods and services *and to allow a relevant reduction of CO₂ emissions*, that help to save energy, which will bring down costs for consumers, *make prices more affordable for vulnerable people* and create a more level playing field for industry;

Or. en

Amendment 16
Davor Škrlec

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

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2. Stresses that common efforts by the EU will help to create a common market for goods and services that help to save energy, which will bring down costs for consumers and create a more level playing field for industry;

Amendment

2. Stresses that common efforts by the EU will help to create a common market for goods and services that help to save energy, which will bring down costs for **all** consumers and create a more level playing field for industry;

Or. en

Amendment 17
Soledad Cabezón Ruiz

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Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 18
Peter Liese

Draft opinion
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Amendment

2. Stresses that common efforts by the EU will help to create a common market for goods and services that help to save energy, which will bring down costs for **all** consumers and **empower them, will** create a more level playing field for industry, **and will boost its competitiveness and open new markets;**

Or. en

Amendment 19
Christofer Fjellner

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

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Amendment

2. Stresses that common efforts by the EU will help to create a common market for goods and services that help to save energy, which will bring down costs for consumers and create a more level playing field for industry **while at the same time realizing that the industry has an inherent interest in increasing energy efficiency and will be the main driver of energy efficiency innovation;**

Or. en

Amendment 20
Sirpa Pietikäinen

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Or. en

Amendment 21
Peter Liese

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2 – point 1 (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

(1) Notes that buildings account for 40% of energy use in the EU, and that improving the energy efficiency of buildings is therefore of prime importance in reducing CO₂ emissions and improving energy security, as well as for ending fuel poverty and improving health;

Or. en

Amendment 22
Anne-Marie Mineur

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2a. Observes that energy-intensive industries must also contribute, and that a level playing field within the EU is very important in this context;

Or. nl

Amendment 23
José Inácio Faria

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2a. Highlights the fact that more than half of the investment needed to decarbonise the EU's energy system to 2050 needs to be directed to energy efficiency; emphasizes that this approach will ensure that fossil-fuel based generation is sized to a scale appropriate to meet future demand, and asset stranding is avoided; calls for energy efficiency to be treated as an infrastructure investment priority allowing for its deployment as part of wider EU and national infrastructure planning and financing processes;

Or. en

Amendment 24
José Inácio Faria

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2b. Calls on the Commission to promote the exchange of best practices across Member States in order to speed up the achievement of targets, the diffusion of innovative products and services, and to promote cross-country convergence in energy efficiency;

Or. en

Amendment 25
José Inácio Faria

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

3. Stresses that the Energy Efficiency Directive triggered many positive developments in the Member States, but that poor implementation is hindering its full potential;

Amendment

3. Stresses that the Energy Efficiency Directive triggered many positive developments in the Member States, but that poor implementation is hindering its full potential; ***highlights the competitiveness gains and emission savings that high energy consumption industry and companies can achieve by implementing cost-effective energy audit recommendations; calls on the Commission and Member States to ensure swift transposition and implementation of requirements under Article 8;***

Or. en

Amendment 26
Jens Gieseke

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

3. Stresses that the Energy Efficiency Directive triggered many positive developments ***in the Member States***, but that poor implementation is hindering its full potential;

Amendment

3. Stresses that the Energy Efficiency Directive triggered many positive developments, but that poor implementation ***in the Member States*** is hindering its full potential;

Or. de

Amendment 27
Peter Liese

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

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Or. en

Amendment 28

Sylvie Goddyn, Jean-François Jalkh, Mireille D'Ornano

Draft opinion

Paragraph 3

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3. Stresses that the Energy Efficiency Directive triggered many positive developments in the Member States, but that poor implementation is hindering its full potential;

Amendment

3. Stresses that the Energy Efficiency Directive triggered many positive developments in the Member States, but that poor implementation is hindering its full potential; **emphasises that this poor implementation is often the result of budgetary restrictions linked to the austerity measures imposed by the EU;**

Or. fr

Amendment 29

Kateřina Konečná

Draft opinion

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Amendment 30
Anne-Marie Mineur

Draft opinion
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Amendment

3. Stresses that the Energy Efficiency Directive triggered many positive developments in the Member States, but that poor implementation is hindering its full potential; ***calls on Member States to take action to guarantee the effectiveness and the desired impact of the Directive on Energy Efficiency by adjusting implementation where necessary;***

Or. nl

Amendment 31
Davor Škrlec

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

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Amendment

3. Stresses that the Energy Efficiency Directive triggered many positive developments in the Member States, but that poor implementation is hindering its full potential; ***points out that energy efficiency is not being applied as an effective long-term way to fight and prevent energy poverty, as referred to in Article 7(7)(a) of Directive 2012/27/EU; calls for platforms to be set up to enable best practice to be exchange at local and regional level in Member States;***

Or. hr

Amendment 32
Sirpa Pietikäinen

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

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Amendment

3. Stresses that the Energy Efficiency Directive triggered many positive developments in the Member States, but that poor implementation is hindering its full potential; **welcomes the increased technical support and the enforcement efforts from the Commission to ensure correct and speedy implementation;**

Or. en

Amendment 33
Ian Duncan

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

3. Stresses that the Energy Efficiency Directive triggered many positive developments in the Member States, **but that poor implementation is hindering its full potential;**

Amendment

3. Stresses that the Energy Efficiency Directive triggered many positive developments **and that full implementation** in the Member States **will ensure the EU achieves its 2020 20% energy savings target without the need for additional measures;**

Or. en

Amendment 34
Piernicola Pedicini, Marco Affronte, Eleonora Evi

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1 (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Calls on the Commission to guide, monitor and coordinate the Member States more effectively in implementing the Directive, to act promptly in making reasoned requests, where necessary, for national plans to be aligned with the objectives of the Directive and to carry out close and rigorous monitoring of effective implementation;

Or. it

Amendment 35
Christofer Fjellner

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3a. Emphasises that flexibility in the implementation of this Directive is crucial since conditions in the Member States vary widely;

Or. en

Amendment 36
Ivo Belet

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3a. Calls on the European Commission to use all legal means to ensure that Member States provide up to date and precise information, demonstrating that the energy efficiency savings, as envisaged by the requirements to renovate 3 % of the total floor area of public buildings or by

*the requirements to put in place
alternative measures, are fulfilled;*

Or. en

Amendment 37

Sylvie Goddyn, Jean-François Jalkh, Mireille D'Ornano

Draft opinion

Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3a. Emphasises that training at all levels is still patchy and inadequately funded to cover all the areas opened up by the application of the directive, as a result of a mismatch between the rules and actual market capacities and funding;

Or. fr

Amendment 38

Davor Škrlec

Draft opinion

Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3a. Underlines, therefore, the need for more guidance from the European Commission, in order to help Member States implementing the Directive, and reporting progress; calls for the implementation of energy efficiency on the local and regional level; Calls to ensure, through the change of the Article 7 of Directive 2012/27/EU, long-term and stable financing of energy efficiency projects;

Or. en

Amendment 39
Jens Gieseke

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Points out that the chief weakness of the existing Directive is that ***most of the measures will expire in 2020 unless the Directive is appropriately amended***, which means that its main provisions, in particular Article 7, should be ***extended not only up to 2030, but also beyond***;

Amendment

4. Points out that the chief weakness of the existing Directive is that ***it is competing with other European and national legislation (such as ETS certificates, exit from coal and payment schemes for renewable energy)***, which means that its main provisions ***on flexibility***, in particular ***in*** Article 7, should be ***maintained***;

Or. de

Amendment 40
Kateřina Konečná

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Points out that the chief weakness of the existing Directive is that most of the measures will expire in 2020 unless the Directive is appropriately amended, which means that its main provisions, in particular Article 7, should be extended not only up to 2030, but also beyond;

Amendment

4. Points out that the chief weakness of the existing Directive is that most of the measures ***are only focused on incentives undertaken by Member States and not on progressive obligations in best practices to be addressed to relevant users*** and will expire in 2020 unless the Directive is appropriately amended, which means that its main provisions, in particular Article 7, should be extended not only up to 2030, but also beyond;

Or. en

Amendment 41
Ian Duncan

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Points out that *the chief weakness of the existing Directive is that most of the measures will expire in 2020 unless the Directive is appropriately amended, which means that its main provisions, in particular Article 7, should be extended not only up to 2030, but also beyond;*

Amendment

4. Points out that *any revision to the existing Directive must be coherent with the European Council agreement on the 2030 Climate and Energy Policy Framework, retain maximum flexibility for Member States and fully respect the efforts being taken to meet the Directive's binding targets;*

Or. en

Amendment 42
Anne-Marie Mineur

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

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Amendment

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Or. nl

Amendment 43
Norbert Lins

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

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Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 44
Nicola Caputo

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

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4. Points out that the chief weakness of the existing Directive is that most of the measures will expire in 2020 unless the Directive is appropriately amended, which means that its main provisions, in particular Article 7, should be extended not only up to 2030, but also beyond, ***with objectives to be established in line with developments (results obtained, technological and market innovations, etc.);***

Or. it

Amendment 45
Piernicola Pedicini, Marco Affronte, Eleonora Evi

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 – subparagraph 1 (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Reiterates the need to establish a binding

40 % energy efficiency target by 2030 to be implemented by means of individual national targets; calls in addition for binding energy efficiency targets up to 2050 in line with the ambitious commitments under the Paris agreements to keep the global temperature increase below 1.5 °C;

Or. it

Amendment 46
Piernicola Pedicini, Marco Affronte, Eleonora Evi

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Expresses its concern regarding all areas highlighted in the Commission report showing values still far removed from the energy efficiency target for 2020; calls therefore on the Commission and the Member States to take resolute action with regard to buildings, transport, services and energy production, to ensure greater prosperity and green jobs in the EU; observes that such measures should be in line with the transition to a circular economy;

Or. it

Amendment 47
José Inácio Faria

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Calls for Member States renovation roadmaps in Article 4 to include intermediate 5 year targets towards a goal

of nearly zero energy buildings by 2050, as will become necessary to meet the goals of the COP 21 Paris Agreement; calls for the extension of Article 5 to cover all public administration levels;

Or. en

Amendment 48
Piernicola Pedicini, Marco Affronte, Eleonora Evi

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4b. Notes that Member States still some way from achieving the target of 20% by 2020 require Commission guidance to immediately develop national policies and specific measures for energy and resource efficiency; urges the Member States accordingly to implement and maintain a stable system of incentives to facilitate a reliable flow of investment and funding, paying particular attention to energy efficiency in buildings;

Or. it

Amendment 49
Sylvie Goddyn, Jean-François Jalkh, Mireille D'Ornano

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5

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Amendment

5. Regrets the very unambitious target of at least 27 % for improving energy efficiency in 2030 adopted by the European Council in 2014, which is mainly justified by an extremely unrealistic high discount rate in a previous impact assessment; recalls that the discount rate of 17.5 % is higher than

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the discount rate for energy investment in Iraq (15 %) ¹;

the discount rate for energy investment in Iraq (15 %) ¹; ***points out that changes to the way vehicle engine emissions and consumption are calculated, as a result of the introduction of tests under real driving conditions, will have to be incorporated into energy efficiency calculations in the transport sector; wonders to what extent these changes will affect the EU's ability to meet its targets; urges that the probable loss of energy efficiency should not be offset by drastic measures which undermine the competitiveness of our industry;***

¹ Friends of the Earth Europe (2015): Battle of the Discount Rates
https://www.foeeurope.org/sites/default/files/energy_savings/2015/battle-discount-rates.pdf

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Or. fr

Amendment 50 **Sirpa Pietikäinen**

Draft opinion **Paragraph 5**

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5. Regrets the very unambitious target of at least 27 % for improving energy efficiency in 2030 adopted by the European Council in 2014, ***which*** is mainly justified by an extremely unrealistic high discount rate in a previous impact assessment; recalls that the discount rate of 17.5 % is higher than the discount rate for energy investment in Iraq (15 %) ¹;

Amendment

5. Regrets the very unambitious target of at least 27 % for improving energy efficiency in 2030 adopted by the European Council in 2014 ***in contrast to the 40% target adopted by the European Parliament; notes that the 27 %*** is mainly justified by an extremely unrealistic high discount rate in a previous impact assessment; recalls that the discount rate of 17.5 % is higher than the discount rate for energy investment in Iraq (15 %) ¹; ***calls on the Commission to move to comprehensive cost-benefit analysis and a societal interest perspective, in line with its own Better Regulation guidelines*** ^{1a};

¹ Friends of the Earth Europe (2015): Battle of the Discount Rates
https://www.foeeurope.org/sites/default/files/energy_savings/2015/battle-discount-rates.pdf

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^{1a} **Better Regulation guidelines SWD 2015, 111, tool 54**

Or. en

Amendment 51 **José Inácio Faria**

Draft opinion **Paragraph 5**

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5. Regrets the very unambitious target of at least 27 % for improving energy efficiency in 2030 adopted by the European Council in 2014, **which** is mainly justified by an extremely unrealistic high discount rate in a previous impact assessment; recalls that the discount rate of 17.5 % is higher than the discount rate for energy investment in Iraq (15 %)¹;

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https://www.foeeurope.org/sites/default/files/energy_savings/2015/battle-discount-rates.pdf

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5. Regrets the very unambitious target of at least 27 % for improving energy efficiency in 2030 adopted by the European Council in 2014, **in contrast to the 40% goal adopted by the European Parliament; notes that the 27% target** is mainly justified by an extremely unrealistic high discount rate in a previous impact assessment; recalls that the discount rate of 17.5 % is higher than the discount rate for energy investment in Iraq (15 %)^[1];

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Or. en

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¹ *Friends of the Earth Europe (2015): Battle of the Discount Rates*
https://www.foeeurope.org/sites/default/files/energy_savings/2015/battle-discount-rates.pdf

least 27 % for improving energy efficiency in 2030 adopted by the European Council in 2014, which is mainly justified by an extremely unrealistic high discount rate in a previous impact assessment; recalls that the discount rate of 17.5 % is higher than the discount rate for energy investment in Iraq (15 %)^{2a}; ***calls on the European Commission to move to comprehensive cost-benefit analysis and a social discount rate, in line with its own Better Regulation guidelines;***^{2b}

^{2a} *Friends of the Earth Europe (2015): Battle of the Discount Rates*
https://www.foeeurope.org/sites/default/files/energy_savings/2015/battle-discount-rates.pdf

^{2b} *Better Regulation guidelines SWD (2015) 111,,tool #54: "The social discount rate is the rate most used in Impact Assessments, as these normally consider costs and benefits together from the point of view of society as a whole (rather than from the point of view of a single stakeholder group). The recommended social discount rate is 4% ... In general, it is not appropriate to use alternative social discount rates, as using the 4% rate consistently in Impact Assessments and an evaluation ensures coherence and comparability."*

Or. en

Amendment 53 **Soledad Cabezón Ruiz**

Draft opinion **Paragraph 5**

Draft opinion

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5. Regrets the very unambitious target of at least 27 % for improving energy efficiency in 2030 adopted by the European Council in 2014, ***in contrast to the binding target of 40 % implemented by means of***

a previous impact assessment; recalls that the discount rate of 17.5 % is higher than the discount rate for energy investment in Iraq (15 %)¹;

¹ Friends of the Earth Europe (2015): Battle of the Discount Rates
https://www.foeeurope.org/sites/default/files/energy_savings/2015/battle-discount-rates.pdf

individual national targets adopted by the European Parliament; notes that the 27% is mainly justified by an extremely unrealistic high discount rate in a previous impact assessment; recalls that the discount rate of 17.5 % is higher than the discount rate for energy investment in Iraq (15 %)¹; calls on the Commission to move to comprehensive cost-benefit analysis and a social discount rate, in line with its own Better Regulation guidelines;

¹ Friends of the Earth Europe (2015): Battle of the Discount Rates
https://www.foeeurope.org/sites/default/files/energy_savings/2015/battle-discount-rates.pdf

Or. en

Amendment 54 **Christofer Fjellner**

Draft opinion **Paragraph 5**

Draft opinion

5. Regrets the very unambitious target of at least 27 % for improving energy efficiency in 2030 adopted by the European Council in 2014, which is mainly justified by an extremely unrealistic high discount rate in a previous impact assessment; recalls that the discount rate of 17.5 % is higher than the discount rate for energy investment in Iraq (15 %)¹;

¹ Friends of the Earth Europe (2015): Battle of the Discount Rates
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Amendment

5. Recalls the target of at least 27 % for improving energy efficiency in 2030 adopted by the European Council in 2014;

Or. en

Amendment 55
Ian Duncan

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. **Regrets the very unambitious** target of at least 27 % for improving energy efficiency in 2030 adopted by the European Council in 2014, which is mainly justified by **an extremely unrealistic high discount rate in a previous impact assessment; recalls that the discount rate of 17.5 % is higher than the discount rate for energy investment in Iraq (15 %)**¹;

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Amendment

5. **Notes the** target of at least 27% for improving energy efficiency in 2030 adopted by the European Council in 2014, which is mainly justified by **the Council's binding EU target of at least 40% domestic reduction in greenhouse gas emissions by 2030**;

Or. en

Amendment 56
Davor Škrlec

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Regrets the very unambitious target of at least 27 % for improving energy efficiency in 2030 adopted by the European Council in 2014, which is mainly justified by an extremely unrealistic high discount rate in a previous impact assessment; recalls that the discount rate of 17.5 % is higher than the discount rate for energy investment in Iraq (15 %)¹;

¹ Friends of the Earth Europe (2015): Battle of the

Amendment

5. Regrets the very unambitious target of at least 27 % for improving energy efficiency in 2030 adopted by the European Council in 2014, **in contrast to the 40% target adopted by the Parliament in December 2015, notes that the 27%** which is mainly justified by an extremely unrealistic high discount rate in a previous impact assessment; recalls that the discount rate of 17.5 % is higher than the discount rate for energy investment in Iraq (15 %)¹;

¹ Friends of the Earth Europe (2015): Battle of the

Or. en

Amendment 57
Piernicola Pedicini, Marco Affronte, Eleonora Evi

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Regrets the very unambitious target of at least 27 % for improving energy efficiency in 2030 adopted by the European Council in 2014, **which is mainly justified by** an extremely unrealistic high discount rate in a previous impact assessment; recalls that the discount rate of 17.5 % is higher than the discount rate for energy investment in Iraq (15 %)¹;

¹ Friends of the Earth Europe (2015): Battle of the Discount Rates
https://www.foeeurope.org/sites/default/files/energy_savings/2015/battle-discount-rates.pdf

Amendment

5. Regrets the very unambitious target of at least 27 % for improving energy efficiency in 2030 adopted by the European Council in 2014, **contrary to the 40 % objective to be achieved through national targets, repeatedly called for by the European Parliament and confirmed in December 2015; calls in this connection for a review of this target, which is being justified by the Council principally on the basis of** an extremely unrealistic high discount rate in a previous impact assessment; recalls that the discount rate of 17.5 % is higher than the discount rate for energy investment in Iraq (15 %)²;

¹ Friends of the Earth Europe (2015): Battle of the Discount Rates
https://www.foeeurope.org/sites/default/files/energy_savings/2015/battle-discount-rates.pdf

Or. it

Amendment 58
Jens Gieseke

¹ Friends of the Earth Europe (2015): Battle of the Discount Rates
https://www.foeeurope.org/sites/default/files/energy_savings/2015/battle-discount-rates.pdf

² Friends of the Earth Europe (2015): Battle of the Discount Rates
https://www.foeeurope.org/sites/default/files/energy_savings/2015/battle-discount-rates.pdf

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5

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5. **Regrets** the *very unambitious* target of at least 27 % for improving energy efficiency in 2030 adopted by the European Council in 2014, which is mainly justified by *an extremely unrealistic high* discount rate in a previous impact assessment; **recalls that the discount rate of 17.5 % is higher than the discount rate for energy investment in Iraq (15 %)**¹;

¹ *Friends of the Earth Europe (2015): Battle of the Discount Rates*
https://www.foeeurope.org/sites/default/files/energy_savings/2015/battle-discount-rates.pdf

Amendment

5. **Stresses that** the target of at least 27 % for improving energy efficiency in 2030 adopted by the European Council in 2014, which is mainly justified by *the* discount rate in a previous impact assessment, **is well founded**;

Or. de

Amendment 59
Peter Liese

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5 – point a (new)

Draft opinion

(a) Asks the European Commission to propose a 2030 target that reflects the level of cost-effective energy efficiency potential, which can be reached if market failures and imperfections are removed, recognising the societal value of treating energy savings as an energy source on its own right;

Or. en

Amendment 60
Nicola Caputo

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

5a. Emphasises that, for achievement of the 2030 energy efficiency objectives, the EU should facilitate the adoption of a wider selection of instruments and data, such as energy audit and management systems, performance statistics and indicators, geo-referenced building registers with information on their energy consumption, energy performance contracts, advanced financing instruments and professional training schemes;

Or. it

Amendment 61
Peter Liese

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

Amendment

6. Stresses that a high discount rate would reflect the unrealistic assumption that cost-efficient investments in energy efficiency will not happen because of a number of obstacles, whereas it is the duty of political actors to overcome obstacles to such investments;

6. Stresses that a high discount rate would reflect the unrealistic assumption that cost-efficient investments in energy efficiency will not happen because of a number of obstacles, whereas ***first of all these obstacles are overestimated by the European Commission*** and it is the duty of political actors to overcome obstacles to such investments ***that over time would pay off***;

Or. en

Amendment 62
Anne-Marie Mineur

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Stresses that a high discount rate would reflect the unrealistic assumption that cost-efficient investments in energy efficiency will not happen because of a number of obstacles, whereas it is the duty of political actors to overcome obstacles to such investments;

Amendment

6. Stresses that a high discount rate would reflect the unrealistic assumption that cost-efficient investments in energy efficiency will not happen because of a number of obstacles, whereas it is the duty of political actors ***and industry itself*** to overcome obstacles to such investments;

Or. nl

Amendment 63
Sirpa Pietikäinen

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Stresses that a high discount rate would reflect the unrealistic assumption that cost-efficient investments in energy efficiency will not happen because of a number of obstacles, whereas it is the duty of political actors to overcome obstacles to such investments;

Amendment

6. Stresses that a high, ***private*** discount rate would reflect the unrealistic assumption that cost-efficient investments in energy efficiency will not happen because of a number of obstacles, whereas it is the duty of political actors to overcome obstacles to such investments; ***also notes that this overlooks the role of EU and national public bodies to drive energy efficiency improvements, particularly in setting common EU performance standards and national procurement and infrastructure and buildings policies;***

Or. en

Amendment 64
Davor Škrlec

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Stresses that a high discount rate would reflect the unrealistic assumption that **cost-efficient** investments in energy efficiency will not happen because of a number of obstacles, whereas it is the duty of political actors to overcome obstacles to such investments;

Amendment

6. Stresses that a high **private** discount rate would reflect the unrealistic assumption that **cost-effective** investments in energy efficiency will not happen because of a number of obstacles, whereas it is the duty of political actors to overcome obstacles to such investments;

Or. en

Amendment 65
Soledad Cabezón Ruiz

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Stresses that a high discount rate would reflect the unrealistic assumption that cost-efficient investments in energy efficiency will not happen because of a number of obstacles, whereas it is the duty of political actors to overcome obstacles to such investments;

Amendment

6. Stresses that a high discount rate would reflect the unrealistic assumption that cost-efficient investments in energy efficiency will not happen because of a number of obstacles, whereas it is the duty of political actors to overcome obstacles to such investments; **also notes that the current high discount rate presumes that energy efficiency is achieved only through individual actions, overlooking the fact that the role of public bodies is key to driving energy efficiency improvements, particularly in buildings; in this respect, calls for the extension of Article 5 to cover all public bodies and include the adoption of best practice on financial support mechanisms;**

Or. en

Amendment 66
Josu Juaristi Abaunz

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Stresses that a high discount rate would reflect the unrealistic assumption that cost-efficient investments in energy efficiency will not happen because of a number of obstacles, whereas it is the duty of political actors to overcome obstacles to such investments;

Amendment

6. Stresses that a high discount rate would reflect the unrealistic assumption that cost-efficient investments in energy efficiency will not happen because of a number of obstacles, whereas it is the duty of political actors to overcome obstacles to such investments, ***by devising fiscal policies and allocating fiscal resources to promote energy efficiency and energy saving;***

Or. es

Amendment 67
Jens Gieseke

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Stresses that a high discount rate ***would reflect*** the ***unrealistic*** assumption that cost-efficient investments in energy efficiency will not happen because of a number of obstacles, whereas it is the duty of political actors to overcome obstacles to such investments;

Amendment

6. Stresses that a high discount rate ***reflects*** the assumption that cost-efficient investments in energy efficiency will not happen because of a number of obstacles ***resulting from competing European and national legislation and strict reporting requirements***, whereas it is the duty of political actors to overcome obstacles to such investments;

Or. de

Amendment 68
Jo Leinen

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. Calls on the Commission and Member States to review the 27% energy efficiency target for 2030 in the light of the Paris climate change agreement and to set a binding 40% efficiency target;

Or. de

Amendment 69
José Inácio Faria

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. Acknowledges that insufficient price signals are a main reason to undermine demand response; calls on Member States to tackle this barrier and to promote smart metering and transparent billing as a way to foster more responsive consumer behaviour with reference to energy consumption and investment in energy efficiency;

Or. en

Amendment 70
Davor Škrlec

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. Recalls Parliament's resolutions of 5 February 2014, 26 November 2014 and 14 October 2015, which call for three binding energy and climate targets for 2030, in particular the 40 % energy efficiency target; emphasises that the

post-2020 EU energy efficiency target should be binding and implemented through individual national targets; urges the Commission to develop various 2030 energy efficiency scenarios, including at the level fixed by Parliament of 40 %;

Or. en

Amendment 71
Daciana Octavia Sârbu

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. Recalls the Energy Union Framework Strategy conclusion that energy efficiency is an energy source in its own right; considers that a high discount rate therefore undermines the EU's own energy supply and energy independence;

Or. en

Amendment 72
Soledad Cabezón Ruiz

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. Notes that buildings account for 40% of energy use in the EU, and that improving the energy efficiency of buildings is therefore of prime importance in reducing CO₂ emissions and improving energy security, as well as ending energy poverty and improving health;

Or. en

Amendment 73
Merja Kyllönen, Kateřina Konečná

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. Welcomes new innovative and smart solutions for balancing the supply and demand of electricity, for better utilisation of renewable energy and for reducing the peak energy consumption; calls for research and development funding for these new solutions especially for the SME sector;

Or. en

Amendment 74
José Inácio Faria

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6b. Highlights the importance of European financial instruments in the form of loans, guarantees and equity to leverage private funding for energy efficiency projects; stresses, however, the need for funding to be provided in the form of grants for projects in the social domain;

Or. en

Amendment 75
Soledad Cabezón Ruiz

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6b. Believes that the measures for energy-efficient renovation of existing buildings need to be prioritised among the most energy-poor; calls on the Commission to propose a target to improve the efficiency of residential building stock, alongside future minimum efficiency standards for rented housing in the context of the revision of the Energy Efficiency Directive;

Or. en

Amendment 76
Soledad Cabezón Ruiz

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6 c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6c. Calls for Member State renovation road maps in Article 4 to follow mandatory templates and to include intermediate 5 year targets towards a goal of nearly zero energy buildings (nZEB) by 2050, as will become necessary to meet the goals of the COP21 Paris Agreement;

Or. en

Amendment 77
Soledad Cabezón Ruiz

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6 d (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6d. Agrees with the Commission that lower fuel prices and the prospects of economic growth could further endanger

the achievement of the 20% target; calls on the Commission and the Member States to enhance the monitoring, verification, control and compliance regime to ensure the right level of ambition;

Or. en

Amendment 78
Ian Duncan

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. *Insists that loopholes* in the existing Directive, especially in Article 7, *must be eliminated*, while keeping flexibility for the Member States to choose among the measures;

Amendment

7. *Underlines the need for clarification* in the existing Directive, especially in Article 7, while keeping flexibility for the Member States to choose among the measures;

Or. en

Amendment 79
Anne-Marie Mineur

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. Insists that loopholes in the existing Directive, especially in Article 7, must be eliminated, *while keeping flexibility for the Member States to choose among the measures*;

Amendment

7. Insists that loopholes in the existing Directive, especially in Article 7, must be eliminated, *with due regard for the subsidiarity principle*;

Or. nl

Amendment 80
Norbert Lins

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. Insists that loopholes in the existing Directive, especially in Article 7, must be eliminated, while keeping flexibility for the Member States to choose among the measures;

Amendment

7. Insists that loopholes in the existing Directive, especially in Article 7, must be eliminated, while keeping flexibility for the Member States to choose among the measures; ***underlines in this regard the possibility to opt for alternative measures;***

Or. en

Amendment 81
Davor Škrlec

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. Insists that loopholes in the existing Directive, especially in Article 7, must be eliminated, ***while keeping flexibility for the Member States to choose among the measures;***

Amendment

7. Insists that loopholes in the existing Directive, especially in Article 7, must be eliminated, ***and recommends that all Member States implement a single energy savings obligation market (ESO);***

Or. en

Amendment 82
Christofer Fjellner

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. ***Insists that*** loopholes in the existing Directive, especially in Article 7, ***must be eliminated, while keeping*** flexibility for the Member States to choose among the measures;

Amendment

7. ***Underlines the importance of eliminating*** loopholes in the existing Directive, especially in Article 7, ***while at the same time safeguarding*** flexibility for the Member States to choose among the measures;

Amendment 83
José Inácio Faria

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. Insists that loopholes in the existing Directive, especially in Article 7, must be eliminated, **while keeping flexibility for** the Member States to choose among the measures;

Amendment

7. Insists that loopholes in the existing Directive, especially in Article 7, must be eliminated; **stresses that the excessive flexibility given to** the Member States to choose among the measures **to be undertaken should not come at the expense of the annual energy savings targets; calls for a revision of Article 7 that enables the objective quantification and achievement of the 1,5% p.a. energy savings requirement;**

Or. en

Amendment 84
Soledad Cabezón Ruiz

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. Insists that loopholes in the existing Directive, especially in Article 7, must be eliminated, while keeping flexibility for the Member States to choose among the measures;

Amendment

7. Insists that loopholes in the existing Directive, especially in Article 7, must be eliminated, while keeping flexibility for the Member States to choose among the measures; **notes in particular that phasing in and early actions under Article 7(2) are no longer relevant and that the 25% flexibility has diminished the effectiveness of the 1.5% p.a. energy savings requirement; insists that alternative measures under article 7(9) must be tightly defined and easy to quantify; recalls that Article 7 is expected to deliver**

more than half of the 20% target set by the Directive;

Or. en

Amendment 85
Peter Liese

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. Insists that loopholes in the existing Directive, especially in Article 7, must be eliminated, while keeping flexibility for the Member States to choose among the measures;

Amendment

7. Insists that loopholes in the existing Directive, especially in Article 7, must be eliminated, while keeping flexibility for the Member States to choose among the measures; *notes in particular that phasing in and early actions under Article 7(2) are no longer relevant and that the 25% flexibility has diminished the effectiveness of the 1.5% p.a. energy savings requirement; insists that alternative measures under article 7(9) must be tightly defined and easy to quantify;*

Or. en

Amendment 86
Sirpa Pietikäinen

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. Insists that loopholes in the existing Directive, especially in Article 7, must be eliminated, while keeping flexibility for the Member States to choose among the measures;

Amendment

7. Insists that loopholes in the existing Directive, especially in Article 7, must be eliminated, while keeping flexibility for the Member States to choose among the measures; *notes in particular that phasing in and early actions under Article 7(2) are no longer relevant and that the statistical removal of energy used in transport and ETS sectors from setting the target has*

diminished the effectiveness and transparency of the 1.5% p.a. energy savings requirement and produces unnecessary reporting complexities;

Or. en

Amendment 87
Merja Kyllönen

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7a. Emphasises the need to improve the energy efficiency of the public sector and calls for better integration of the energy saving initiatives into the public procurements;

Or. en

Amendment 88
Josu Juaristi Abaunz

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7a. Reiterates that energy efficiency must be understood as the most sustainable element of our obligation to reduce our energy consumption, and not as an pretext for increasing consumption;

Or. es

Amendment 89
Nicola Caputo

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7a. Stresses that, among the challenges arising and the major barriers to the implementation of Article 7, lack of knowledge and capacity on the part of those involved plays an important role, as does the low level of awareness among final consumers regarding compulsory efficiency schemes or alternative measures and the limited timeframe (2014-2020) for achievement thereof; calls therefore on the EU to invest more in the implementation of information and support programmes in the individual Member States;

Or. it

Amendment 90
Josu Juaristi Abaunz

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7b. Stresses the importance of conducting energy audits prior to devising energy efficiency plans, based on reducing energy consumption and as a way of addressing energy poverty;

Or. es

Amendment 91
Nicola Caputo

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7b. Stresses that better harmonisation of the methods of calculating additionality (capacity to promote technologies that perform above the market average) and materiality (promoting action that would not necessarily have been taken) and for the measurement and verification of energy savings could contribute to the more effective implementation of Article 7;

Or. it

Amendment 92

Jens Gieseke

Draft opinion

Paragraph 8

Draft opinion

Amendment

8. Proposes that the title of Article 7 be changed to ‘energy saving support schemes’ because there is no obligation to save energy for consumers and SMEs, but an obligation for Member States and/or utilities to give incentives.

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Or. de

Amendment 93

Sylvie Goddyn, Jean-François Jalkh, Mireille D'Ornano

Draft opinion

Paragraph 8

Draft opinion

Amendment

8. Proposes that the title of Article 7 be changed to ‘energy saving support schemes’ because there is no obligation to save energy for consumers and SMEs, but

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an obligation for Member States and/or utilities to give incentives.

an obligation for Member States and/or utilities to give incentives. *emphasises that the main problem remains that of finding ways of funding measures to reduce household energy consumption and, more generally, to reduce consumption by end-consumers, whether they are private individuals or firms;*

Or. fr

Amendment 94
Françoise Grossetête

Draft opinion
Paragraph 8

Draft opinion

8. Proposes that the title of Article 7 be changed to ‘energy saving support schemes’ because there is no obligation to save energy for consumers and SMEs, but an obligation for Member States *and/or utilities* to give incentives.

Amendment

8. Proposes that the title of Article 7 be changed to ‘energy saving support schemes’ because there is no obligation to save energy for consumers and SMEs, but an obligation for Member States to give incentives.

Or. fr

Amendment 95
Christofer Fjellner

Draft opinion
Paragraph 8

Draft opinion

8. Proposes that the title of Article 7 be changed to ‘energy saving *support* schemes’ because there is no obligation to save energy for consumers and SMEs, but an obligation for Member States and/or utilities to give incentives;

Amendment

8. Proposes that the title of Article 7 be changed to ‘energy saving schemes’ because there is no obligation to save energy for consumers and SMEs, but an obligation for Member States and/or utilities to give incentives;

Or. en

Amendment 96
Anne-Marie Mineur

Draft opinion
Paragraph 8

Draft opinion

8. Proposes that the title of Article 7 be changed to ‘energy saving support schemes’ because there is no obligation to save energy for consumers and SMEs, but an obligation for Member States and/or utilities to give incentives.

Amendment

8. Proposes that the title of Article 7 be changed to ‘energy saving support schemes’ because there is no obligation to save energy for consumers and SMEs, but an obligation for Member States and/or utilities to give incentives. ***observes moreover that the greatest gains are to be made in energy-intensive industries and utilities, not among consumers;***

Or. nl

Amendment 97
José Inácio Faria

Draft opinion
Paragraph 8

Draft opinion

8. Proposes that the title of Article 7 be changed to ‘energy ***saving*** support schemes’ because there is no obligation to save energy for consumers and SMEs, but an obligation for Member States and/or utilities to give incentives;

Amendment

8. Proposes that the title of Article 7 be changed to '***Saving energy through energy efficiency obligation and*** support schemes' because there is no obligation to save energy for consumers and SMEs, but an obligation for Member States and/or utilities to give incentives ***and put in place measures that enable such savings to be achieved;***

Or. en

Amendment 98
Soledad Cabezón Ruiz

Draft opinion
Paragraph 8

Draft opinion

8. Proposes that the title of Article 7 be changed to ‘energy *saving* support schemes’ ***because there is no obligation to save energy for consumers and SMEs, but an obligation for Member States and/or utilities to give incentives;***

Amendment

8. Proposes that the title of Article 7 be changed to '***Saving energy through energy efficiency obligation and support schemes in order to emphasise the need for Member States to help consumers, including SMEs, to save energy and reduce their energy costs, by means of energy obligation schemes and other measures;***

Or. en

Amendment 99
Davor Škrlec

Draft opinion
Paragraph 8

Draft opinion

8. Proposes that the title of Article 7 be changed to ‘energy saving support schemes’ because there is no obligation to save energy for consumers and SMEs, but an obligation for Member States and/or utilities to give incentives;

Amendment

8. Proposes that the title of Article 7 be changed to ‘energy saving support schemes’ because there is no obligation to save energy for consumers and SMEs, but an obligation for Member States and/or utilities to give incentives ***and take actions in order to deliver energy savings;***

Or. en

Amendment 100
Piernicola Pedicini, Marco Affronte, Eleonora Evi

Draft opinion
Paragraph 8 – point 1 (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

(1) Expresses its concern at the increasing pollution caused by certain domestic heating installations fired by solid biomass, which produce large quantities

of fine dust, nitrogen oxides, carbon monoxide and dioxins that greatly detract from air quality and are therefore harmful to human health; urges Member States accordingly to implement efficient and environmentally friendly alternative solutions;

Or. it

Amendment 101

Merja Kyllönen, Kateřina Konečná

Draft opinion

Paragraph 8 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

8a. underlines the immediate need to deploy more comprehensive approach to improve the energy efficiency of the whole transport system, not relying only the technological development of vehicles or propulsion systems; instead, urges the Commission and Member States to ambitiously introduce new measures to enhance modal shift towards the most energy efficient modes and to fully deploy ITS to further improve the efficiency and usage rate of capacity, both of the vehicles and the infrastructure, also in logistics, aviation and maritime transport;

Or. en

Amendment 102

Ivo Belet

Draft opinion

Paragraph 8 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

8a. Reminds that energy efficiency can be achieved by setting CO₂ standards and informing users of the fuel consumption

of their vehicles; calls on the European Commission to come forward with proposals to inform the users about the fuel consumption of new trucks, busses and coaches and to set limits on their CO₂ emissions;

Or. en

Amendment 103
Josu Juaristi Abaunz

Draft opinion
Paragraph 8 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

8a. Calls on the Commission to involve local and regional institutions in order to promote energy efficiency at regional, local and grass-roots level;

Or. es

Amendment 104
Davor Škrlec

Draft opinion
Paragraph 8 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

8a. Calls the European Commission and Member States to prioritise Article 4, with regard to the preparation of the second version of the strategies, to be delivered in 2017 in order to achieve a nZEB-level building stock at EU level by 2050;

Or. en

Amendment 105
Davor Škrlec

Draft opinion
Paragraph 8 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

8b. Calls for plans to be drawn up with a view to phasing out fossil fuel subsidies and channelling financial resources towards energy efficiency projects serving to achieve the EU's goals for decarbonisation of the energy sector by 2050;

Or. hr

Amendment 106
Peter Liese

Draft opinion
Paragraph 8 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

8a. Proposes that these 'energy saving support schemes' prioritise action in the buildings sector, notably by fostering the implementation of the national long-term strategies included in Article 4;

Or. en

Amendment 107
Jo Leinen

Draft opinion
Paragraph 8 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

8a. Stresses the need for ambitious, robust and transparent climate governance that will guarantee that the efficiency target is reached; considers that corresponding rules should be introduced as part of the review of the energy efficiency directive;

calls on the Commission and Member States to ensure that the European Parliament is fully involved in developing climate governance and to put forward proposals in the framework of the ordinary legislative procedure;

Or. de

Amendment 108
Soledad Cabezón Ruiz

Draft opinion
Paragraph 8 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

8a. Calls on Member States to include a provision for a significant minimum percentage of measures in energy efficiency obligation schemes to target low-income consumers;

Or. en

Amendment 109
Davor Škrlec

Draft opinion
Paragraph 8 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

8a. Reinstates its call for a significant investment programme for energy efficiency in Europe, fully mobilising the European Fund for Strategic Investment (EFSI) and structural funds; notes that energy efficiency projects are often small-scale and need to be bundled into larger portfolios; to this end, calls on the Commission, the European Investment Bank and Member States to deploy more technical assistance and project development assistance to facilitate investments;

Amendment 110

Peter Liese

Draft opinion

Paragraph 8 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

8b. Proposes that Article 4 be referring to as 'long-term strategies for the renovation of the national building stock, including for mobilising investment';

Or. en

Amendment 111

Soledad Cabezón Ruiz

Draft opinion

Paragraph 8 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

8b. Regrets the low contribution of transport to the energy savings, with a percentage of only 3% within the overall sectoral split of savings, despite the stabilisation of passenger traffic and the fall in freight traffic between 2005-2013 due to the economic crisis; calls on Member states to increase the number of measures targeting the transport sector;

Or. en

Amendment 112

Ivo Belet, Peter Liese, Norbert Lins

Draft opinion

Paragraph 8 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

8b. Notes that the least progress was made in the residential sector and thus calls on Member States to use energy service companies and energy performance contracting, to implement tax schemes and loan programmes in order to increase the low renovation rates for the existing building stock in Europe and to reward energy efficiency measures such as the uptake of energy efficient heating and cooling;

Or. en

Amendment 113
Soledad Cabezón Ruiz

Draft opinion
Paragraph 8 c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

8c. Notes that energy efficiency requirements in public procurement are not fully understood by all procurement agents; calls on the Commission to provide clearer guidelines to facilitate compliance with Article 6 of the EED and a better integration into the wider EU rules on public procurement;

Or. en

Amendment 114
Peter Liese

Draft opinion
Paragraph 8 c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

8c. Calls the European Commission and

Member States to prioritise Article 4, with regard to the preparation of the second version of the strategies, to be delivered in 2017, and which should be built on proper engagement with stakeholders, following mandatory templates, including intermediate 5 year targets and implementation plans, in order to achieve a goal of nearly zero energy buildings (nZEB) at EU level by 2050, as will become necessary to meet the goals of the COP21 Paris Agreement;

Or. en

**Amendment 115
Peter Liese**

**Draft opinion
Paragraph 8 d (new)**

Draft opinion

Amendment

8d. Asks the Commission to reduce as much as possible paperwork for SMEs and public bodies;

Or. en

**Amendment 116
Peter Liese**

**Draft opinion
Paragraph 8 e (new)**

Draft opinion

Amendment

8e. Proposes to review the SME definition applied to this Directive (Article 2, 26) to refer only to the number of employed persons and annual turnover, so that companies which are 25% or more controlled by a public body can still be considered as an SME;

Or. en