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# **AMENDMENT 15**

**Draft report**  
**Struan Stevenson**  
(PE483.656v01-00)

Proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council  
amending Council Regulation (EC) No 1300/2008 of 18 December 2008  
establishing a multi-annual plan for the stock of herring distributed to the west  
of Scotland and the fisheries exploiting that stock

Proposal for a regulation  
(COM(2011)0760 – C7-0432/2011 – 2011/0345(COD))

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**Proposal for a regulation**

**Article 1 – point 2**

Regulation (EC) No 1300/2008

Article 2 – point (e)

*Text proposed by the Commission*

(e) “stock **of herring** in the **West** of Scotland” means the stock of herring (*clupea harengus*) which inhabits Union and international waters of ICES **divisions** Vb, **VIa** and VIb.

*Amendment*

(e) “**herring** stock in the **area west** of Scotland” means the stock of herring (*clupea harengus*) **distributed to the west of Scotland** which **currently** inhabits Union and international waters of ICES **zones** Vb and VIb **and the part of ICES zone VIa which lies east of the meridian of longitude 7°W and north of the parallel of latitude 55°N, or west of the meridian of longitude 7°W and north of the parallel of latitude 56°, excluding the Clyde.**

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*Justification*

*The current definition seems more appropriate than the one proposed by the Commission, which would only refer to Scottish waters. The purpose of the modification of Regulation (EC) No 1300/2008 is not to extend the geographical area of application of the latter. The current restriction concerning ICES zone VIa has thus been re-introduced. The word "currently" is supposed to keep the Regulation applicable even in case of migration of the stock. The exchanging of 'east' and 'west' is necessary to rectify the longstanding inaccuracy of the coordinates of the area of application.*