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# REPORT

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(2014/2011(REG))

Committee on Constitutional Affairs

Rapporteur: György Schöpflin

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## PROPOSAL FOR A EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT DECISION

**on amendment of Parliament's Rules of Procedure so as to allow for the possibility of electronic signatures  
(2014/2011(REG))**

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the letter from the Chair of the Conference of Committee Chairs of 10 December 2013,
  - having regard to Rules 211 and 212 of its Rules of Procedure,
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Constitutional Affairs (A7-0175/2014),
1. Decides to amend its Rules of Procedure as shown below;
  2. Points out that the amendments will enter into force on the first day of the next part-session;
  3. Instructs its President to forward this decision to the Council and the Commission, for information.

### **Amendment 1**

**Parliament's Rules of Procedure  
Rule 148a (new)**

*Present text*

*Amendment*

#### ***Rule 148a***

##### ***Electronic handling of documents***

***Parliament documents may be prepared, signed and distributed in electronic form. The Bureau shall decide on the technical specifications and on the presentation of the electronic form.***

### **Amendment 2**

**Parliament's Rules of Procedure  
Rule 156 – paragraph 1 – interpretation appearing after subparagraph 2**

*Present text*

*Amendment*

*Amendments may be signed electronically as part of a pilot project involving a limited number of parliamentary committees, on condition, first, that the committees participating in the project have given their agreement and, second, that appropriate measures have been put in place to ensure the authenticity of the signatures.*

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## RESULT OF FINAL VOTE IN COMMITTEE

<b>Date adopted</b>	10.3.2014
<b>Result of final vote</b>	+: 18 -: 0 0: 1
<b>Members in favour</b>	Carlo Casini, Andrew Duff, Ashley Fox, Roberto Gualtieri, Enrique Guerrero Salom, Zita Gurmai, Daniel Hannan, Gerald Häfner, Stanimir Ilchev, Rina Ronja Kari, Constance Le Grip, David Martin, Sandra Petrović Jakovina, Tadeusz Ross, Algirdas Saudargas, György Schöpflin, József Szájer, Luis Yáñez-Barnuevo García
<b>Members against</b>	
<b>Members abstained</b>	Andrew Henry William Brons
<b>Members present for the final vote</b>	Andrew Henry William Brons, Carlo Casini, Andrew Duff, Ashley Fox, Roberto Gualtieri, Enrique Guerrero Salom, Zita Gurmai, Gerald Häfner, Daniel Hannan, Stanimir Ilchev, Rina Ronja Kari, Constance Le Grip, David Martin, Sandra Petrović Jakovina, Tadeusz Ross, Algirdas Saudargas, József Szájer, Luis Yáñez-Barnuevo García
<b>Substitute(s) present for the final vote</b>	Zuzana Brzobohatá, Vital Moreira, György Schöpflin