

**Question for written answer E-003263/2018  
to the Commission**

Rule 130

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Subject: Problems in bus transport

- 1) Is the Commission aware of the EU-wide problem of the excessively long standby times of 12-15 hours a day for bus drivers on all European regular services, in particular in public transport up to 50 kilometres?
- 2) How can we accept the fact that, in today's Europe, bus drivers on all European regular services, in particular in public transport up to 50 kilometres, are completely exhausted because of excessively long standby times and thereby pose a huge and well-known safety risk on Europe's roads, which has repeatedly led to innocent people being killed and injured?
- 3) Would it not be possible for the Commission to introduce a regulation limiting the daily standby time for drivers on all European regular bus services, including in public transport up to 50 kilometres, to a maximum of 10 consecutive hours for a maximum of 5 consecutive days, which would significantly improve road safety in the EU ?