Question for written answer E-003699/2023 to the Commission

Rule 138

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Subject: Directive on asbestos screening, registering and monitoring

On 18 October 2022, the Commission presented its work programme for 2023, which included the presentation of a proposal for a directive on asbestos screening, registering and monitoring. This is one of the legislative proposals that emerged from Parliament's resolution with recommendations to the Commission on protecting workers from asbestos, and an initiative that governments such as the Generalitat de Catalunya have already been implementing successfully.

The legislation aims to improve access to information on the presence of asbestos in buildings, ensuring its availability to public authorities, construction workers and inhabitants. This would help mitigate the health and environmental risks related to asbestos exposure. The new measure provides for specific obligations to be adjusted, taking into account the life cycle and the risks of each specific building.

Given that the presentation of the proposal for a directive on asbestos screening, registering and monitoring was planned for the second quarter of 2023, but was not submitted by the initial deadlines, and that no new date has been reported:

Will the Commission present the aforementioned proposal for a directive and the new set of deadlines before the end of the current legislature?

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