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### **P8\_TA(2018)0043**

#### **Time change arrangements**

##### **European Parliament resolution of 8 February 2018 on time change arrangements (2017/2968(RSP))**

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to Article 114 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,
  - having regard to Directive 2000/84/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 19 January 2001 on summer-time arrangements<sup>1</sup>,
  - having regard to the Interinstitutional Agreement between the European Parliament, the Council of the European Union and the European Commission of 13 April 2016 on better law-making<sup>2</sup>,
  - having regard to Rule 123(2) of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas according to the Interinstitutional Agreement on better law-making, the evaluation of existing legislation should provide a basis for impact assessments as regards options for future action;
- B. whereas numerous scientific studies, including the European Parliamentary Research Service study of October 2017 on EU summer-time arrangements under Directive 2000/84/EC, have failed to come to a conclusive outcome, but have instead indicated the existence of negative effects on human health;
- C. whereas a number of citizens' initiatives have highlighted citizens' concerns about the biannual clock change;
- D. whereas Parliament has raised this issue before, for example in Oral Question O-000111/2015 – B8-0768/2015 to the Commission of 25 September 2015;
- E. whereas it is crucial to maintain a unified EU time regime even after the end of biannual time changes;

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 31, 2.2.2001, p. 21.

<sup>2</sup> OJ L 123, 12.5.2016, p. 1.

1. Calls on the Commission to conduct a thorough assessment of Directive 2000/84/EC and, if necessary, come up with a proposal for its revision;
2. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission, the Council, and the governments and parliaments of the Member States.