

Question for written answer E-001288/2025
to the Commission
Rule 144
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Subject: Transposition of the Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Directive 92/43/EEC on the protection status of the wolf

Article 2 of the proposal for a Directive amending Directive 92/43/EEC as regards the protection status of the wolf provides that Member States ‘shall bring into force the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to comply with this Directive by [18 months after the entry into force of this Directive] at the latest’.

According to Article 193 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, Member States may adopt more stringent environmental protection measures on their territory, as mentioned in Recital 6 of the above proposal.

Some Member States already have laws, regulations and administrative provisions that are more stringent than the Commission proposal, so they already comply with the provisions set out in this proposal for a Directive.

In this context, does the Commission consider that the expression ‘bring into force’ means that Member States that already have more stringent laws, regulations and administrative provisions than the proposal must adopt new legislation in order to transpose them, or would it be sufficient for the Member State concerned to notify the Commission of such existing national provisions that ensure compliance with the amended Directive?

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