

**Question for written answer E-003487/2026
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Member States and businesses have to comply with increasingly stringent rules. When drafting those rules, however, the Commission itself abandons its own principles

The Commission is currently putting forward several packages of so-called omnibus measures, which it presents as tools for tackling excessive bureaucracy. In several proposals, however, citing urgency, it is restricting consultations and impact assessments that it itself requires under the Better Regulation framework. Simplifying legislation must not be used as a pretext for the Commission to change the rules before their consequences can be properly assessed.

1. Why is the Commission restricting consultations and impact assessments if it labels its proposal urgent?
2. Why, according to the Commission, should Member States and businesses comply with increasingly stringent EU regulation when the Commission itself does not follow its own Better Regulation principles when proposing legislation?
3. Why is the Commission using omnibus packages to “repackage” rules that it itself introduced, instead of abolishing unnecessary obligations?

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