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**Question for written answer E-003585/25
to the Commission
Tobiasz Bocheński (ECR)
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Subject: Negative social and energy impact of the proposed revision to SFLSH requirements

Hundreds of thousands of households in central and eastern European countries, including Poland, use individual heat sources that mainly use wood and biomass as fuel. The new requirements introduced in the revision to ecodesign regulations for solid fuel local space heaters (SFLSH) may exclude cheap heating appliances, which would lead to an increase in energy poverty and would limit energy security.

1. Has the Commission carried out a comprehensive assessment of the consequences of revising the ecodesign regulations for households in central and eastern Europe, including Poland, taking the aforementioned aspects into consideration in assessing the regulation's impact?
2. If so, can the Commission provide the results of this assessment?
3. If not, why has a social and energy risk assessment not been carried out?

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**Answer given by Mr Jørgensen on behalf of the European Commission
(3 December 2025)**

The Commission has not yet issued a proposal for new ecodesign requirements for space heaters and boilers. The Commission has launched a dialogue with industry and other stakeholders, including Consultation Fora and a call for written input with industry and other stakeholders to prepare an impact assessment. The Commission will continue its work on a review of the Ecodesign Regulation.

In this context, the Commission is currently assessing any environmental, economic and societal impacts of various policy options of new ecodesign requirements. This includes potential effects on different EU regions, including the eastern part of the EU. Aspects related to security of access to energy and possible affordability issues for low-income families are also considered. The results will be published when the review is concluded, in line with the normal procedures.
