

## Green and Sustainable Committee **2024**

#	Issue	Description	Status Quo
1	<b>Law 209/2016 regarding the waste management</b>	Following the goal of transposition of the Law 209/2016, the proposed new amendments present significant discrepancies with the provisions and the purpose of Directive 2008/98/EC on waste management, amended by EU Directive 2018/851	<p><b>Accomplished:</b></p> <p>Following several Position Papers, rounds of meetings and debates with the responsible Parliamentary Commissions and relevant stakeholders, was successfully postponed the date of entry into force from 1<sup>st</sup> of January 2025 to 1<sup>st</sup> of January 2027 due to lack of several relevant by-laws and the regulation regarding the legal aspects of administrator role for the responsible body for implementation of deposit waste system and lack of synchronization of recently entered into force of the Extended Producer Responsibility principle (EPR). The Law was adopted in the second reading on the 28<sup>th</sup> of December 2023.</p> <p>On June 2024 the new amendments to the law were published. The new proposed provisions (identified by EBA) for the Law 1540/1998 regarding the payment for environmental pollution were mismatched, and in order to adjust several provisions related to waste management implementation, the Environment, Climate and Green Transition Parliamentary Commission initiated public consultations on the draft law on the amendment of some normative acts (adjustment of the regulatory framework in accordance with the provisions of Law no.227/2022 on industrial emissions), no. 352 of 28 November 2024.</p>
2	<b>By-laws of Law 209/2016 regarding the waste management</b>	Regulation regarding the legal aspects of administrator role for the responsible body for implementation of deposit waste system	<p><b>In progress:</b></p> <p>EBA Position Paper on the Deposit Waste System was submitted to the Ministry of Environment. EBA Proposals were discussed within several follow-up meetings. The proposals were partially taken into consideration.</p>
3	<b>Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR)</b>	Amendment to the Law 1540/1998 regarding the payment for environmental pollution by including the new principle of Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR). Due to the EBA previous support (2021) was initiated the development of the Analytical Paper and necessary legal amendments (with GIZ and EU funds) - aimed at finalizing the	<p><b>Accomplished /Amendment reinitiated:</b></p> <p>After a series of meetings with Ministry of Environment, Ministry of Finance, Economic Council to the Prime-minister and Parliamentary Commissions, the amendments to the Law 1540/1998 were adopted by the Parliament and entered into force starting with October 2023. Still, the provisions could not be applied due to discrepancies in legal</p>

		necessary amendments related to EPR and proper wastes management system.	<p>interpretation between Tax Service and Ministry of Environment and with GD no. 561/2020.</p> <p>Reiterating the need to adjust the existing mechanism for effective implementation of Extended Producer Responsibility and following several Position Papers and meetings with the new appointed Minister on the Economic Council to the Prime-minister (CONSECON) platform, line Parliamentary Commission and a Recommendation Report developed by EBA with the support of Optim Helvetas (Swiss Government) new amendments to the law were developed.</p> <p>On 27.12.2024 the amendments to the Law 1540/1998 on payment for environmental pollution were published in the Official Gazette.</p> <p>The adopted amendments concern the qualification as subject of all entities that place packaged goods on the market, regardless of the tariff heading to which such packaging is assigned, as well as empty sales packaging.</p>
4	<b>GD 938 Regulation regarding the mode of crossing state border of goods subject to ANSA control</b>	Amendment of Regulation on the mode of state border crossing of goods subject to control by ANSA. The main issues related to the implementation of the GD 938/2018 are: lack of a risk assessment mechanism within the border control, sampling without issuing any confirmative documents and certificate of finding, notification in TRACES system.	<p><b>Accomplished:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Regulatory Analysis Impact of the draft GD was performed. The draft was adopted conditionally so as to include observations, comments related to ANSA controls, and statistical data to provide transparency to the carried controls. The draft of GD was approved by the Government, following a series of technical meetings with Ministry of Economy, Ministry of Agriculture and Food Industry, Prime Minister Economic Council and ANSA.</li> </ul> <p>In force starting with 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2024. Still the risk-based approach is not applied.</p> <p>The short list of issues on phytosanitary and veterinary aspects, legal changes and optimization of operational processes in the context of imports and exports was submitted within the meeting with Director and interested EBA Members.</p>