

Priorities of the Dutch Senate from the European Commission Work Programme 2019 (Annex I and II)

Nr.	Title	Description	Expected	Committee(s)
1.	Getting Europe investing again	Communication on the Investment Plan for Europe: stock-taking and next steps	Q4 2018	Economic Affairs and Climate / Agriculture, Nature and Food Safety
2.	A sustainable European future	Reflection Paper "Towards a Sustainable Europe by 2030, on the follow-up to the UN Sustainable Development Goals, including on the Paris Agreement on Climate Change"	Q4-2018	Economic Affairs and Climate / Agriculture, Nature and Food Safety
3.	Completing the Digital Single Market	a) Coordinated Plan on the development of Artificial Intelligence in Europe (non-legislative)	Q4-2018	Justice & Security and Economic Affairs and Climate / Agriculture, Nature and Food Safety
		b) Action Plan on Disinformation (non-legislative)	Q4-2018	Justice & Security and Economic Affairs and Climate / Agriculture, Nature and Food Safety and The Interior and the High Councils of State /General Affairs and the Household of H.M. the King
		c) Initiative addressing online platform challenges as regards the spreading of fake information (non-legislative)	Q1-2019	Health, Welfare and Sport
4.	Completing the Energy Union	4th State of the Energy Union Report (non-legislative)	Q1-2019	Economic Affairs and Climate / Agriculture, Nature and Food Safety
		Report on the Strategic Action Plan on batteries (non-legislative)	Q1-2019	Economic Affairs and Climate / Agriculture, Nature and Food Safety
5.	Future of Energy and Climate policy	Towards a new institutional framework for our energy and climate policy by 2025: options for enhanced qualified majority voting and for a possible reform of the Euratom Treaty (non-legislative)	Q1-2019	European Affairs

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6.	More efficient Single Market law-making	a) More efficient law-making in the field of taxation: identification of areas for a move to qualified majority voting (non-legislative)	Q1-2019	Finance
		b) More efficient law-making in social policy: identification of areas for an enhanced move to qualified majority voting	Q1-2019	Social Affairs and Employment
7.	Rule of law	Further strengthening of the 2014 Rule of Law framework (non-legislative)	Q1-2019	European Affairs and Justice & Security
8.	Evaluation on maximum residue levels for pesticides and authorisation of plant protection products	This evaluation will look at the authorisation procedure and in particular at the dual system of authorisation of active substance at EU level and plant protection product at national level and the delay in time to market; the mutual recognition of national level, the comparative system to allow for substitution with less hazardous substances, the system of residue limit setting, its enforcement and the costs of the system. The evaluation covers Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 and Regulation (EC) No 396/2005. This evaluation will look into the issues raised in the REFIT Platform opinion XI.10.a on Multiple use/Multiple source substances – Chlorate adopted on 7/6/2017. (REFIT)	N.A.	Economic Affairs and Climate / Agriculture, Nature and Food Safety
9.	Evaluation of the Directive on Equal pay for equal work and work of equal value	The evaluation of Directive 2006/54/EC will focus on how the existing legal provisions on equal pay have worked in practice, the approaches that have been implemented in EU Member States, how effectively they are enforced, and the extent to which their initial goals have been reached. (REFIT)	N.A.	Social Affairs and Employment