

50th SITTING OF THE SEJM, 25–27 SEPTEMBER 2013

THE SEJM PASSED THE ACTS

- on State aid in purchasing first flat by young people;
- amending the act on specific forms of supporting innovative activity;
- amending the Road Traffic Law and some related acts;
- amending the act on the Police and some related acts;
- amending the act on the system of education;
- amending the act on publishing of *Monitor Sądowy i Gospodarczy (Court and Economic Monitor)* and the act on European Grouping of Territorial Cooperation;
- ratifying the Protocol between the Government of the Republic of Poland and the Government of the Republic of India amending the Agreement between the Government of People's Republic of Poland and the Government of the Republic of India for the avoidance of double taxation and prevention of income tax evasion, drawn up in Warsaw on 21 June 1989, signed in Warsaw on 29 January 2013;
- ratifying the Agreement between the States Parties to the Convention for the Establishment of a European Space Agency and the European Space Agency on the security and exchange of classified information, signed in Paris on 19 August 2002;
- ratifying the Trade Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and Colombia and Peru, of the other part, drawn up in Brussels on 26 June 2012.

THE SEJM ADOPTED RESOLUTIONS

- establishing 17 September the Day of Siberian Deportees;
- concerning participation of the Republic of Poland in the works of the European Union in the period between January and June 2013 (Irish Presidency in the Council of the European Union);
- concerning granting the permission by the Sejm of the Republic of Poland to bring Deputy Witold Waszczykowski to criminal accountability (*The Sejm did not grant the permission*);
- concerning changes within personal composition of Sejm committees.

THE SEJM CONSIDERED THE SENATE'S RESOLUTIONS CONCERNING THE ACTS

- amending the Budget Act for 2013 (*The Senate's amendments were accepted*);
- amending the Code of Penal Procedure and some related acts (*Some of the Senate's amendments were accepted*);
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- amending the Geological and Mining Law and some related acts (*The Senate's amendments were accepted*);
- amending the Pharmaceutical Law and some related acts (*The Senate's amendments were accepted*);
- amending the act on excise duty (*The Senate's amendments were accepted*).

THE SEJM RETURNED TO COMMITTEES

- Deputies' bills: amending the Road Traffic Law and the Petty Offences Procedure Code, amending the Road Traffic Law and some related acts, amending the Road Traffic Law and amending some related acts, amending the act on public roads and some related acts;
- Deputies' bill amending the act on the access to public information;
- Senate's bill amending the act on the entitlement to a reduced fare in the means of public transport and the Teachers' Charter.

THE SEJM REFERRED TO COMMITTEES

- President of the Republic's bill on cooperation within territorial government for the benefit of local and regional development and amending some related acts;
- Government bill amending the Penal Code;
- Government bill amending the act on competition and consumer protection and amending the Code of Civil Procedure;
- Government bill on principles for conducting public fundraising;
- Government bill amending the act on the corporate income tax, the act on the personal income tax and the act on the tonnage tax;
- Senate's bill amending the act which itself amended the act on the inheritance and gift tax and the act on the tax on civil law transactions.

THE SEJM REJECTED IN THE FIRST READING the Citizens' bill amending the act on family planning, protection of human embryo and the conditions for admissibility of pregnancy termination.

THE SEJM ACCEPTED

- information of the Council of Ministers on economic situation in Polish agriculture in the years 2005–2013, with reference to means of the EU funds for the development of rural areas, export of Polish agricultural products and foodstuffs, as well as the grain and rapeseed market;
- information of the Prime Minister on the situation of young people in Poland;
- information of the Prime Minister on government plans as regards the alarming financial situation of Polish enterprises and increase in enterprise insolvencies declared in 2012 and the first quarter of 2013. (*The Sejm did not accept the motions to reject all of the above information submitted at the 49th sitting of the Sejm.*)

THE SEJM CONSIDERED

- information of the Council of Ministers on the current financial situation of the system of social insurance, the efficiency of activities of open pension funds, payment guarantees for current pension and allowance benefits and the anticipated pension paid out of first and second pension pillar (*The motion to reject the information shall be considered at the next sitting of the Sejm*);
- current information on the planned reform of public employment services.