

THE SENATE OF THE PARLIAMENT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC 11^{TH} TERM

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RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE

Delivered on the 13th session held on 4th April 2018

on the Education Package

Senate Print no. K 105/11, COM(2018) 22 - Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions on the Digital Education Action Plan

Senate Print no. J 106/11, COM(2018) 23 - Proposal for a Council Recommendation on Promoting Common Values, Inclusive Education, and the European Dimension of Teaching

Senate Print no. J 107/11, COM(2018) 24 – Proposal for a Council Recommendation on Key Competences for Lifelong Learning

The Senate

I.

1. Got Acquainted

with the Communication from the Commission and with both proposals for Council Recommendations and supports them in general;

2. Recalls

the supportive, coordinating and supplementary role of the EU in the domain of education which should not aim beyond legally non-binding recommendations; in the area of education, the EU should primarily promote cross-border mobility of pupils, students and teachers, exchange of good practice and a debate about the future of education;

3. Stresses

in particular

- the significance of life-long learning, because the permanent ability to learn and adjust own competences is currently crucial for successful professional employment and social engagement;
- new challenges to the educational systems, such as cyber bullying and dissemination of fake news, to which the educational systems have not been responding in a sufficient manner so far;

4. Expresses

concerns about the fact that support for some of the key values, such as democracy and democratic form of government, is decreasing among young people and that, on the contrary, there is an evident tendency in some groups of young people to support authoritarian forms of government;

5. Supports

therefore the inclusion of the debate about key values of the democratic society in the education at all levels as well as related initiatives, e.g. cross-border cooperation;

II.

Authorises

the President of the Senate to forward this Resolution to the European Commission.

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