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Answer given by Mr Wojciechowski
on behalf of the European Commission
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A draft delegated act supplementing Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013¹ of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards marketing standards for poultry meat has been discussed in the Expert Group for Agricultural Markets between October 2022 and February 2023. The European Parliament was invited to the meetings and working documents were shared.

The documents were available for public feedback from 21 April 2023 to 19 May 2023. Most of the feedback received concerned foie gras, with views in favour of maintaining the current rules and others advocating for its abolition for animal welfare considerations.

The marketing standard is strictly about describing a fatty liver as a liver having a minimum weight. As explained in the impact assessment, banning force feeding cannot be achieved by a change in marketing standards on its own. After formal adoption by the Commission, the delegated act will be transmitted to the European Parliament and the Council for scrutiny.

¹ <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX:32013R1308>