

AMENDMENT FORM 32

PART III: THE POLICIES AND FUNCTIONING OF THE UNION

TITLE III: POLICIES AND INTERNAL ACTIONS

CHAPTER IV: AREA OF FREEDOM, SECURITY AND JUSTICE

SECTION 1 : GENERAL PROVISIONS

Suggestion for amendment of Article III-156

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Status :- ~~Member~~ ~~Alternate~~ ~~Observer~~

Without prejudice to Articles [III-261 to III-263], the Council may, on a proposal from the Commission, adopt European regulations or decisions laying down the arrangements whereby Member States, in collaboration with the Commission, conduct objective and impartial evaluation of the implementation of the Union policies referred to in this Chapter by Member States' authorities, in particular in order to facilitate full application of the principle of mutual recognition. The European Parliament, as well as Member States' national parliaments, **and, where they have competence by virtue of their national constitution, regional parliaments*** shall be informed of the content and results of the evaluation.

Explanation:

It is not only Member State parliaments who share competences with the Union but also regional parliaments.

** As a general principle, the Committee of the Regions proposes that where national parliaments are to have a role in the implementation of the area of freedom, security and justice, then regional parliaments, where they have competence, should also be involved at an equal level.*