



The December 1995 Clark

Fourth Clark of the 20th Ziu

1. Results of the November 1995 Clark

The following bills received Royal Assent and have been passed into law:

20RC06 – The Comprehensive Ban-the-Trash Act

Introduced by Ián von Metáiriâ (PC-Maritiimi-Maxhestic)

Agreed to by the Cosă 0-0, by the Senäts 0-0

20RC08 – The Frank Sinatra Day Recognition Act

Introduced by Ián von Metáiriâ (PC-Maritiimi-Maxhestic)

Agreed to by the Cosă 0-0, by the Senäts 0-0

20RC09 – The Save Eiffler Amendment

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

Agreed to by the Cosă 0-0, by the Senäts 0-0

20RC10 – The Other Galactic Funk Act

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

Agreed to by the Cosă 0-0, by the Senäts 0-0

20RC11 – The E-Votes Act

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

Agreed to by the Cosă 0-0, by the Senäts 0-0

20RC12 – The No Bill Bill

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

Agreed to by the Cosă 0-0, by the Senäts 0-0

The Cosă and Senäts both rejected the following bill:

20RC07 – The 19th Century Technology Act

Introduced by Ián von Metáiriâ (PC-Maritiimi-Maxhestic)

Rejected by the Cosă 0-0, by the Senäts 0-0

The Cosă passed a Vote of Confidence in the Government 0-0 .

Members of the Cosă voted as follows:

Name	Party	Seats	RC 6	RC 8	RC 9	RC 10	RC 11	RC 12	RC 7	VoC
Ben Madison	PC	33								<i>Did not vote</i>
Ián von Metáiriâ	PC	33								<i>Did not vote</i>
Wes Erni	PC	33								<i>Did not vote</i>
Tom Buffone	PC	5								<i>Did not vote</i>
			0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0

Name	Party	Seats	RC 6	RC 8	RC 9	RC 10	RC 11	RC 12	RC 7	VoC
Gary Schwichtenberg	PC	32								<i>Did not vote</i>
Geoff Toumayan	PC	43								<i>Did not vote</i>
Danihel Lauriér	VP	9								<i>Did not vote</i>
Josh Macht	VP	9								<i>Did not vote</i>
Sandee Prachel	VP	9								<i>Did not vote</i>
			0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0

Senators voted as follows:

Name	Province	RZ6	RZ8	RZ9	RZ10	RZ11	RZ12	RZ7
		0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0

2. This Month's Business

The Fourth Clark of the 20th Ziu runs from December 1st to 21st 1995/XVI.
Voting on the Clark is open until the 21st of December at 7:30 PM Talossan time.

The following bills have been presented for consideration:

20RC13 – The Vive Le Québec Libre! Act

Introduced by Ián von Metáiriá (PC-Maritiimi-Maxhestic)

20RC14 – The Uniform Ballots Amendment

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

20RC15 – The Ultimate E-Mail (Amendment) Act

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

20RC16 – The Legalization of Scepticism Amendment

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

20RC17 – The Matthias Muth (Mugrad #1) Act

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

20RC18 – The Nathan Freeburg (Mugrad #2) Act

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

20RC19 – The Brendan Duddy (Mugrad #3) Act

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

20RC20 – The Leader of the Opposition Act

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

20RC21 – The Establishment of the Senäts Amendment

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

20RC22 – The Phantom Paperwork Abolition Amendment, Part One

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

20RC23 – The Phantom Paperwork Abolition Amendment, Part Two

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

20RC24 – The Save Eiffler Act

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

The full text of these bills is available in the appendix.

The following motion is to be voted on by the Cosă only:

Vote of Confidence

Do you wish the current Government to continue in its term of office?

3. Judicial Decisions

Pursuant to Lex.G.12.1, the Chancery announces that no decisions were rendered by any national court since the publication of the last Clark.

4. Prime Dictates

Pursuant to Lex.H.2.7.1, the Chancery announces that no Prime Dictates were issued since the publication of the last Clark.

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The Secretary of State / El Secretar d'Estat
Wes Erni*

A. Full text of all bills on the Clark

20RC13 - The Vive Le Québec Libre! Act

WHEREAS , Talossa has always stood firmly behind those peoples of the world yearning to secede and form their own countries; and **WHEREAS** , Talossa was itself once part of Québec and so has a natural bond with the French-speaking Québécois; and **WHEREAS** , those Québécois recently resoundingly almost said "oui" to formal secession from English-speaking Canada; Therefore, Talossa hereby grants its Invincible Moral Support to the Québec independence effort, and calls upon the Québécois to roll up their sleeves and try again!

Proposed by: John A. Jahn (PC-M-M)

Uréu q'estadra sã,

Ián von Metáiriã (PC-Maritiimi-Maxhestic)

20RC14 - The Uniform Ballots Amendment

The Cosâ hereby establishes a single, generic election ballot that can be photocopied and used in all RT elections:

Art. 30. Only "registered" political parties may obtain seats in the Cosâ. Parties which win votes but are not "registered" may not assume their seats in the Cosâ until they register themselves. A political party may register itself at any time with the Secretary of State, by obeying the following procedure: First, the Party must have at least one member designated as its "leader." Second, the leader of the Party must provide the Secretary of State with a 50-word (or less) statement of the general aims and views of the Party. Third, the Secretary of State may request from all parties a fee, to be set by law, to cover the cost of the election. This fee shall be uniform for all parties. A party which holds seats in any Cosâ is automatically "registered" for the following Cosâ if it wins any seats therein; its leader and 50-word statement are assumed to "carry over."

Art. 34. The Secretary of State shall produce a generic election ballot with instructions on its use, a blank space in which to stamp the Election Deadline, a blank space in which the voter may write the name of the political party of his choice, and a blank space for the voter's signature. (Unsigned ballots are invalid.) This ballot shall be a public document, available to all upon written request. All citizens may freely keep, make, and distribute unaltered copies of the ballot as part of a campaign for votes. The back of the ballot shall contain any 11x7 cm adverts which the parties may have submitted for that election, and if a ballot contains such adverts, voters may vote for the party of their choice by crossing out the advert of that party. 'Old' ballots or ones not containing the adverts on the back are still considered valid. Voters who write in the name of the party of their choice are responsible for writing it correctly. The Secretary shall prepare special ballots for referenda if these are required.

Articles 35 and 35a are repealed.

Ur u q'estadra s : Robert Madison (PC-Vuode)

Ur u q'estadra s ,
Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

20RC15 - The Ultimate E-Mail (Amendment) Act

The Cosa hereby appends the following as Article 35 (or if the preceding bill fails, Article 34a) of the Constituziun:

Art. 35. Voters may, instead of returning a paper ballot, vote by e-mail. To do so they must register the e-mail address of their household or workplace before the election with the Secretary of State. A voter's e-votes must be placed from that address and not from any other, in order to verify identity. If the Secretary of State has reasonable grounds for suspicion of fraud, he may delay acceptance of e-votes until they can be verified by telephone or in person. An e-vote shall indicate the name of the person voting the party to be voted for, and any referendum preferences.

Uréu q'estadra sã,
Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

20RC16 - The Legalization of Scepticism Amendment

WHEREAS, the Constituziun (Art. 94c) contains a provision requiring any Cosà member who votes "contra" on the naturalization of a new Citizen to justify his negative vote in writing, and **WHEREAS**, this violates the freedom of conscience and engenders further paperwork, **THEREFORE** the Cosà hereby strikes the following language from Art. 94: "Any Cosà member who votes against a prospective must write an Address to the Whole House explaining why lie voted as he did."

Uréu q'estadra sâ: Robert Madison (PC-Vuode)

Uréu q'estadra sâ,
Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

20RC17 - The Matthias Muth (Mugrad #1) Act

Taking into consideration the earlier recommendation of the Cort, the Cosa hereby grants Talossan citizenship to Matthias Muth.

Uréu q'estadra så: Robert Madison (PC-Vuode)

Uréu q'estadra så,
Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

20RC18 - The Nathan Freeburg (Mugrad #2) Act

Taking into consideration the earlier recommendation of the Cort, the Cosâ hereby grants Talossan citizenship to Nathan Freeburg.

Uréu q'estadra sâ: Robert Madison (PC-Vuode)

Uréu q'estadra sâ,
Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

20RC19 - The Brendan Duddy (Mugrad #3) Act

Taking into consideration the earlier recommendation of the Cort, the Cosâ hereby grants Talossan citizenship to Brendan Duddy.

Uréu q'estadra sâ: Robert Madison (PC-Vuode)

Uréu q'estadra sâ,
Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

20RC20 - The Leader of the Opposition Act

The following is added as Article 55b of the Constituizun:

Art. 55b. Except at times when there are no members of the Cosâ who do not support the Government, there shall be a Leader of the Opposition who shall be appointed by the King. He shall be the member of the Cosâ who, in the deliberate judgment of the King, is best able to command support of a majority of those members who do not support the Government, or, Q there is no such person, the member who commands the support of the single largest group of members opposed to the Government. The Leader of the Opposition shall vacate his office if his appointment is revoked by the King because he is no longer able to command the support required for his appointment.

Uréu q'estadra sâ: Robert Madison (PC-Vuode)

Uréu q'estadra sâ,
Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

20RC21 - The Establishment of the Senäts Amendment

The Cosâ hereby establishes a second, upper House for the Talossan Parliament, in order to safeguard Talossa by placing a veto in the hands of all Talossans who have persistently maintained their devotion to Talossa through long-term, active participation. The following articles are added to the Constituziun:

Art. 24. There shall be a Senäts (in English: "Senate") composed of Senators, who shall serve at the pleasure of the King without limit of numbers, who have attained the age of 20 years, been citizens of Talossa five years, and who have voted in at least half the elections to the Cosâ in which they were eligible to vote during the five years preceding their Appointment. The King shall summon such qualified persons to be Senators, and may dismiss Senators if they fail to maintain high standards of participation. Citizens seeking admission to the Senäts shall petition the King for a Senatorship, and shall produce such proof of their eligibility as may be required.

Art. 25. The Senäts shall review all laws passed by the Cosâ and, unless they act otherwise, shall be presumed to consent to same.

Art. 26. The Senäts shall elect its own President and shall administer its own business as it sees fit, whether on a statutory or an ad hoc basis. Each Senator shall have one vote.

Art. 27. The Senäts, by a vote of more than half its members, may abrogate any act of the Cosâ within two months of its passage. The Senäts is not a political body. Its power, it is presumed, shall only be exercised in cases of extreme danger to the life, integrity, or national identity of the Kingdom of Talossa, and not frivolously or for partisan advantage.

Additionally, the Cosâ hereby resolves: The Senäts shall come into being on 1 January 1996 when the first Senators receive their Appointments. John Jahn is designated as President of the Senäts.

Noi urent q'estadra sâ,

Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

Ián von Metáiriá (PC-Maritiimi-Maxhestic)

20RC22 - The Phantom Paperwork Abolition Amendment, Part One

WHEREAS , the Constituziun mandates that the Secretary of State publish a Gazetâ Uficiál at the end of every Cosa but, **WHEREAS** , this provision has never once been acted upon, Therefore, the Cosâ hereby strikes Art. 64 from the Constituziun, abolishing this phantom requirement.

Uréu q'estadra sâ: Robert Madison (PC-Vuode)

Uréu q'estadra sâ,
Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

20RC23 - The Phantom Paperwork Abolition Amendment, Part Two

WHEREAS, the Constituziun requires an objective "exam" for all incoming Citizens, and also requires a "sworn deposition" to be presented to the Cort from a Citizen on behalf of any prospective Citizen, but **WHEREAS**, these requirements have never been carried out, Therefore, the Cosà hereby strikes the following language from Art. 94b: "...and exam and the sworn deposition of one or more Talossan citiéens vouching for the character of the prospective."

Uréu q'estadra sâ: Robert Madison (PC-Vuode)

Uréu q'estadra sâ,
Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

20RC24 - The Save Eiffler Act

WHEREAS , John C. Eiffler attempted to vote in the February 1995 Election but mistakenly dropped his ballot off at the wrong house (!) thereby rendering it uncounted; THEREFORE the Cosâ hereby forgives his non-vote in that election for purposes of the Three-Strikes-You're-Out law. This means Eiffler has one strike against him, not two.

Uréu q'estadra sâ: Robert Madison (PC-Vuode)

Uréu q'estadra sâ,
Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)