

The February 2018 Clark

Third Clark of the 51st Ziu

1. Results of the December 2017 Clark

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

51RZ05 – 51st Cosa Budget Act

Introduced by Dame Miesträ Schivă (Distain, MC-FreeDems)

Agreed to by the Cosă 154-0 (15 abstained), by the Senäts 7-0

The Cosă and Senäts disagreed on the following bills:

51RZ06 – Scribery Sweeping Powers Act

Introduced by Magniloqueu Ēpiqueu da Lhiun (Scribe of Abbavilla, Senator-MM)

Agreed to by the Cosă 107-62, rejected by the Senäts 3-3 (1 abstained)

51RZ07 – Scribery Swooping Powers Amendment

Introduced by Magniloqueu Ēpiqueu da Lhiun (Scribe of Abbavilla, Senator-MM)

Agreed to by the Cosă 107-62, rejected by the Senäts 3-3 (1 abstained)

The Cosă passed a Vote of Confidence in the Government 151-18 .

Members of the Cosă voted as follows:

Name	Party	Seats	RZ 5	RZ 6	RZ 7	VoC
Miesträ Schivă	FreeDems	16	Per	Con	Con	Üc
Viteu Marcianüs	FreeDems	16	Per	Con	Con	Üc
Dien Tresplet	FreeDems	16	Per	Con	Con	Üc
Tierçeu Rôibeardescù	HAT	7	Per	Per	Per	Üc
Marti Vataldestreça	MRPT	17	Did not vote			
Erschéveþ da Schir	MRPT	17	Per	Per	Per	Üc
Ian Plätschisch	MRPT	17	Per	Per	Per	Üc
Txoteu Davinescu	MRPT	15	Per	Per	Per	Üc
Iac Marscheir	MRPT	17	Per	Per	Per	Üc
Mximo Carbonel	REP	4	Per	Per	Per	Non
Ian da Bitour	RUMP	15	Aus	Per	Per	Üc
Litz Cjantscheir	RUMP	14	Did not vote			
Eovart Xhorxh	RUMP	15	Per	Per	Per	Üc
Bénéditsch Ardpresteir	RUMP	14	Per	Con	Con	Non
			154-0 (15)	107-62	107-62	151-18

Senators voted as follows:

Name	Province	RZ5	RZ6	RZ7
Sevastáin Pinátsch	Atatürk	Per	Per	Per
Lüc da Schir	Belacostă	Per	Per	Per
Glüc da Dhi	Cézembre	Per	Con	Con
Ma la Mha	Florençiă	Per	Con	Con
Gödafrîeu Válcadác'h	Fiovă	<i>Did not vote</i>		
Cresti Siervicül	Maricopa	Per	Con	Con
Magniloqueu Épiqueu da Lhiun	Maritiimi-Maxhestic	Per	Per	Per
Éovart Grischun	Vuode	Per	Aus	Aus
		7-0	3-3 (1)	3-3 (1)

2. This Month's Business

The Third Clark of the 51st Ziu runs from February 1st to 21st 2018/XXXIX.
Voting on the Clark is open until the 21st of February at 7:30 PM Talossan time.

The following bills have been presented for consideration:

51RZ08 – The Protracted Simulated Coup Amendment

Introduced by Sir Ian Plätschisch (MC-MRPT)

51RZ09 – The Council of Governors Resuscitation Act

Introduced by Sir Ian Plätschisch (Minister of the Interior, MC-MRPT)

51RZ10 – The Consolidation of Interior Powers Act

Introduced by Sir Ian Plätschisch (Minister of the Interior)

51RZ11 – The E.7.5 Fix Act

Introduced by Sir Ian Plätschisch (MC-MRPT)

51RZ12 – The Fourteen Means Fourteen Bill

Introduced by Dame Miestră Schivă (MC-FreeDems)

51RZ13 – The Senäts Bar Cover Charge Act

Introduced by Dame Miestră Schivă (MC-FreeDems)

51RZ14 – An Act to Remove Bénédictsch Ardpresteir

Introduced by Viteu Marcianüs (Attorney General, MC-FreeDems)

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
Sir Marti-Páir Furxhéir

A. Full text of all bills on the Clark

51RZ08 - The Protracted Simulated Coup Amendment

WHEREAS The King derives his power from the people, and

WHEREAS There is currently no mechanism to hold the King accountable to the people except when he outright breaks the law, and

WHEREAS The procedure for removing the King even in that instance is more difficult than simply passing an amendment to change the monarch or get rid of the monarchy altogether, and

WHEREAS That's weird, and

WHEREAS If the King proves inept, even if he hasn't done anything illegal, the citizens must have some method to replace him, and

WHEREAS It should still be more difficult to remove the King when he hasn't done anything illegal than when he has

THEREFORE Section 7 of of Article III, which currently reads;

In dire circumstances, when the King is judged by competent medical authority to be incapable of executing his duties, or if he is convicted by the Talossan Uppermost Court of violation of the Organic Law, treason, bribery or other high crimes, the nation may remove the King from the Throne. The Cosà shall pronounce by a two-thirds vote, with the approval of the Senäts, that the King is to be deposed, and this pronouncement shall immediately be transmitted to the people for their verdict in a referendum. If a two-thirds majority of the people concur, the King is considered deposed and the succession occurs according to Section 4, above.

is amended to read;

In dire circumstances, when the King is judged by competent medical authority to be incapable of executing his duties, or if he is convicted by the Talossan Uppermost Court of violation of the Organic Law, treason, bribery or other high crimes, the nation may remove the King from the Throne. The Cosà shall pronounce by a **three-fifths** vote, with the approval of the Senäts, that the King is to be deposed, and this pronouncement shall immediately be transmitted to the people for their verdict in a referendum. If **three-fifths** of the people concur, the King is considered deposed and the succession occurs according to Section 4, above. **At any other time, a three-fifths majority of the Cosà, with the approval of the Senäts, may resolve to depose the King, and a referendum to this effect shall be put to the people in a referendum occurring during the next General Election. If three-fifths of the people vote to depose the King, in the session of the Ziu immediately following, the Ziu may, as above, again resolve to depose the King, and a referendum to this effect shall again be put to the people in a referendum occurring no later than the next General Election. If three-fifths of the people again vote to depose the King, the King is considered deposed and the succession occurs according to Section 4, above.**

Uréu q'estadra sã,
Sir Ian Plätschisch (MC-MRPT)

51RZ09 - The Council of Governors Resuscitation Act

WHEREAS The Council of Governors has done nothing for at least the past two years, and probably has done nothing for far longer than that, and

WHEREAS That might be because no one is actually responsible for getting it going, and

WHEREAS That is probably also because many provincial executives are not very active, and

WHEREAS The Council could be a useful tool for finding ways to increase activity, and it is a shame that it never meets

THEREFORE Lex.D.9, which currently reads

9. The Ziu authorises the formation of a Council of Governors (el Cußéglh del Governadéirs in Talossan, abbreviated CG) to be comprised of each provincial leader, whether he or she is called "Governor" or not. The Council will hold meetings at its own discretion, or at the request of any one of the Governors/Provincial Leaders. (31RZ29)

9.1. The rules and regulations of this Council may be decided by the Council itself at a founders' meeting. The Council may only operate within the bounds of the Organic Law. The Council will meet to begin designing a constitution or other set of rules for self-governance.

9.2. The Ziu also hereby authorises the creation of the position of Governor-General of Talossa, who shall be the leader of the Council of Governors, chosen by a majority of the Council members (who are the collective governors and provincial leader of Talossa). In matters provincial, the Governor-General shall serve as a liaison to the Government of Talossa, to serve at the behest of the Council of Governors. (32RZ10)

is amended to read

9. The Ziu authorises the formation of a Council of Governors (el Cußéglh del Governadéirs in Talossan, abbreviated CG) to be comprised of each provincial executive, whether he or she is called "Governor" or not.

9.1. The Minister of the Interior shall call the Council into order no later than the first day of the first Clark of each Cosa term. Each provincial executive shall accept his or her seat in the Council no later than the last day of that Clark.

9.1.1. If the executive of a province does not accept his or her seat by the specified time, the Minister of the Interior may appoint a resident of that province to the Council, who shall serve until the executive of that province accepts his or her seat. The Minister of the Interior shall not appoint him or herself to the Council in this manner.

9.2. The Council shall meet and operate under rules of its own design.

9.3. The Governor-General of Talossa shall be the leader of the Council, chosen by a majority of the Council members (who are the collective governors and provincial leaders of Talossa). In matters provincial, the Governor-General shall serve as a liaison to the Government of Talossa, to serve at the behest of the Council of Governors. (32RZ10)

9.4. If a member of the Council ceases to be a provincial executive, he or she shall immediately lose his or her seat in the Council. The new executive of the province shall have one month to accept his or her seat in the Council, after which the Minister of the Interior may appoint a resident of that province to the Council, who shall serve until the new provincial executive accepts his or her seat.

9.5. If a province is without an executive, the Minister of the Interior may appoint a resident of that province to the Council, who shall serve until the province elects an executive and that executive accepts his or her seat.

Uréu q'estadra sã,

Sir Ian Plätschisch (Minister of the Interior, MC-MRPT)

51RZ10 - The Consolidation of Interior Powers Act

WHEREAS The powers of the Interior Ministry are listed in three different sections of Title D of el Lexhatx, and

WHEREAS These sections often repeat what the other sections say, and

WHEREAS The Interior Ministry's organization has long been a matter of some mystery, and

WHEREAS That ends today (or whenever all of the wiki pages are updated)

THEREFORE Lex.D.2.3, which currently reads:

2.3 The Interior Minister, who shall combine the roles of Defence and Immigration Minister as set forth in Organic Law XII.4 and XII.5, and shall head the following Bureaus. The Minister may appoint Deputy Ministers to be in charge of each Büreu, and the Civil Service Commission may appoint Permanent Secretaries to each Büreu, to work under the direction of the Minister and any Deputy Ministries. (47RZ8)

a) El Büreu dels Afáes inphätseschti (Bureau of Home Affairs) which shall be responsible for the order and well-being of the homeland and its environs. This Bureau shall provide a public presence in or near the Greater Talossan Area, shall assist in the organization of Living Cosàs, shall provide governmental assistance to the organizers of an annual TalossaFest celebration, and to all citizens making the Haxh, and shall take care to guide the Seneschal and other ministers in ever maintaining the connection and bond of Talossans worldwide to their homeland. (47RZ8)

b) The Büreu dels Afáes Cestoureschti (Bureau of Cestour Affairs), led by the 'Piaçatéir Naziunál' and assisted by bureaucrats known as C'huescours (or "Binkies"), who shall see to it that the interests of Cestours within the homeland receive the proper attention of the government. (47RZ8)

c) El Büreu dal Zefençù (Ministry of Defence), which shall marshal and provide the Invincible Moral Support of the nation to the good and right side of any international conflict, as determined by the government, conveying to the combatants our proud "we would stand with you, but it's safer to stand behind you" stance. (47RZ8)

c) i) No action of the Minister or the Bureau of Defence shall infringe on the King's organic role as Leader of the Armed Forces. (47RZ8)

d) El Büreu däl inmigraziun (the Bureau of Immigration), which shall be responsible for the execution of the nation's laws appertaining to immigration of new citizens into the realm. This Ministry shall work closely with the Chancery and its Bureau of the Census to ensure that all incoming citizens are properly processed through immigration as provided by law. (47RZ8)

2.3.1. The Interior Minister shall also be the liaison between the Kingdom Government and the provincial governments. (47RZ8)

is amended to read:

2.3 The Interior Minister (or, during times of war, the War Minister), who shall combine the roles of Defence and Immigration Minister as set forth in Organic Law XII.4 and XII.5, and shall head the following Bureaus. The Minister may appoint Deputy Ministers to be in charge of each Bureau, and the Civil Service Commission may appoint Permanent Secretaries to each Bureau, to work under the direction of the Minister and any Deputy Ministries. The Interior Minister shall also be the liaison between the Kingdom Government and the provincial governments.

2.3.1 El Büreu dal Zefençù (Bureau of Defence), which shall marshal and provide the Invincible Moral Support of the nation to the good and right side of any international conflict, as determined by the government, conveying to the combatants our proud "we would stand with you, but it's safer to stand behind you" stance. The Interior Minister shall command the armed forces of the Kingdom during peacetime and during times of declared war, subservient in these duties only to the King in his majesty's organic role as Leader of the Armed Forces. As detailed in Title I, the Bureau of Defence shall include:

2.3.1.1 The Talossan Royal Navy

2.3.1.2 The Zouaves of the Royal Bodyguard

2.3.1.3 The Primary Intelligence Group

2.3.2 El Büreu dâl inmigraziun (the Bureau of Immigration), which shall be responsible for the execution of the nation's laws appertaining to immigration of new citizens into the realm. This Ministry shall work closely with the Chancery and its Bureau of the Census to ensure that all incoming citizens are properly processed through immigration as provided by law.

2.3.2.1 The New Citizens' Committee shall operate at the direction of the Bureau of Immigration

2.3.3 El Büreu dels Afâes inphätteschti (Bureau of Home Affairs) which shall be responsible for the order and well-being of the homeland and its environs. This Bureau shall provide a public presence in or near the Greater Talossan Area, shall assist in the organization of Living Cosàs, shall provide governmental assistance to the organizers of an annual TalossaFest celebration, and to all citizens making the Haxh, and shall take care to guide the Seneschal and other ministers in ever maintaining the connection and bond of Talossans worldwide to their homeland.

2.3.3.1 The Bureau of Home Affairs shall include the Departamenteu dels Afâes Cestoureschti (Department of Cestour Affairs), led by the 'Piaçatêir Naziunál' and assisted by bureaucrats known as C'huescours (or "Binkies"), who shall see to it that the interests of Cestours within the homeland receive the proper attention of the government.

FURTHERMORE Lex.D.2.4 and Lex.D.2.11, which read:

2.4. The Interior Minister, heading the Ministry of Interior, who shall command the armed forces of the Kingdom during peacetime and during times of declared war, subservient in these duties only to the King in his majesty's organic role as Leader of the Armed Forces. During periods of war, the Interior Minister is to be referred to as "War Minister." The Ministrà dal Interior (Ministry of Interior) shall also marshal and provide the Invincible Moral Support of the nation to the good and right side of any international conflict, as determined by the government, conveying to the combatants our proud "we would stand with you, but it's safer to stand behind you" stance.

2.11. The Minister of Interior, heading the Ministry of Interior, which shall be responsible for the execution of the nation's laws appertaining to immigration of new citizens into the realm. The Minister and other officers of the Ministrà dal Interior (Ministry of Interior) shall work closely with the Chancery and its Bureau of the Census to ensure that all incoming citizens are properly processed through immigration as provided by law.

are hereby repealed. The other sections of D.2 are renumbered accordingly

FURTHERMORE Lex.I.1, which currently reads in part:

1. The Ministry of Interior shall include: (47RZ8)

1.1. The Büreu del Marì (Bureau of the Navy), led by the Amiral (Admiral),

shall be amended to read in that part:

1. The Bureau of Defence shall include:

1.1 El Marì Rexhitál Talossán, or in English, The Talossan Royal Navy, led by the Amiral (Admiral)

FURTHERMORE Lex.I.1.1.1, which currently reads:

1.1.1. The Navy shall be officially known as El Marì Rexhitál Talossán, or in English, The Talossan Royal Navy.

is hereby repealed and the other sections of I.1.1 are renumbered accordingly.

Uréu q'estadra sã,

Sir Ian Plätschisch (Minister of the Interior)

51RZ11 - The E.7.5 Fix Act

WHEREAS Lex.E.7.5 still references "Mussolini Province," and

WHEREAS That should be fixed

THEREFORE Lex.E.7.5, which currently reads:

7.5. BENITO PROVINCE. Talossan citizens living in the following areas shall be assigned to Mussolini Province: the Wisconsin counties of Waukesha, Jefferson, Dane, Marathon, Wood, Portage, Waupaca, Waushara, Winnebago, Marquette, Green Lake, Fond du Lac, Columbia, and Dodge. Overseas, the nations of Italy, San Marino, Vatican City, Switzerland, Liechtenstein, Austria, Spain, Portugal, Andorra, Slovenia, Croatia, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Hungary, Serbia, Montenegro, Kosovo, Macedonia, Albania, Greece, Romania, Bulgaria, Moldova and Cyprus; plus all nations in Africa north of the Equator not listed elsewhere.

is amended to read: 7.5. BENITO PROVINCE. Talossan citizens living in the following areas shall be assigned to **Benito** Province: the Wisconsin counties of Waukesha, Jefferson, Dane, Marathon, Wood, Portage, Waupaca, Waushara, Winnebago, Marquette, Green Lake, Fond du Lac, Columbia, and Dodge. Overseas, the nations of Italy, San Marino, Vatican City, Switzerland, Liechtenstein, Austria, Spain, Portugal, Andorra, Slovenia, Croatia, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Hungary, Serbia, Montenegro, Kosovo, Macedonia, Albania, Greece, Romania, Bulgaria, Moldova and Cyprus; plus all nations in Africa north of the Equator not listed elsewhere.

Uréu q'estadra sã,
Sir Ian Plätschisch (MC-MRPT)

51RZ12 - The Fourteen Means Fourteen Bill

WHEREAS King Robert founded Talossa at the age of 14;
and **WHEREAS** he was not "13 but really keen to get involved";
and **WHEREAS** it is generally desirable that Talossa stay away from getting involved with people of 13 years of age or younger, given at least one major scandal of recent years;
and **WHEREAS** this has been Free Democrats party policy for ages, and it's embarrassing not even having the debate on it yet:

BE IT ENACTED by the King, Cosă and Senäts of Talossa in Ziu assembled that El Lexhátx E.1 shall be amended from:

1. Prospective immigrants who will be age fourteen or older by the next regularly scheduled Balloting Day shall be directed to the Minister of Interior. The Minister of Interior shall act on every such request received by that office, without discriminating on the basis of age, political preference, religion, or other personal information.

to (changes in bold):

1. Prospective immigrants who **have at least attained the age of fourteen (14) years** shall be directed to the Minister of Interior. The Minister of Interior shall act on every such request received by that office, without discriminating on the basis of age, political preference, religion, or other personal information.

Uréu q'estadra sã,
Dame Miestră Schivă (MC-FreeDems)

51RZ13 - The Senäts Bar Cover Charge Act

WHEREAS it seems strange that a political party must pay \$10 to take up seats in the Cosă, but a winning Senator is not obliged to make any financial contribution to the running of the country;

and **WHEREAS** I'm continuing to go down my list of Free Democrat policies which haven't been proposed yet:

BE IT ENACTED by the King, Cosă and Senäts of Talossa in Ziu assembled that El Lexhátx section B.9 shall be amended to read as possible (amendments in bold)

9. The Secretary of State, or his appointed agent, shall charge, as prescribed by the Organic Law, a registration fee of 6¢40 (six louse and forty bence, equivalent to \$10 USD) to each political party in forthcoming **Cosă** elections, **and a registration fee of 3¢20 (three louse and twenty bence, equivalent to \$5 USD) to each candidate in forthcoming Senäts elections.** Any Party or Parties, **candidate or candidates** which fail or refuse to pay the fee shall be deemed not registered. (48PD02) (42RZ14)

9.1. The fee may only be paid by:

9.1.1. Sending a Money Order, Cash or Cheque by snail mail to the Burgermeister of Inland Revenue: Only fees which have been received in full, by the Burgermeister of Inland Revenue will be deemed paid. Fees that are in transit, delayed, lost in the mail or not received by the Burgermeister of Inland Revenue for any reason, shall not count as paid fees, even if accompanied with proof of postage. Payments made by Money Order or Cheque shall not be deemed as paid until they have been cleared, the Burgermeister of Inland Revenue, will notify the nation when such fees have cleared or if said payments have bounced. If a party **or candidate's** cheque or money order bounces, they shall be liable to pay costs incurred by the Kingdom for their payment bouncing and shall not be registered until their fee plus these costs have been paid.

9.1.2. PayPal: Fees may be paid by electronically transferring the appropriate funds into the Kingdom of Talossa's PayPal account managed by The Ministry of Finance (Ministrà dal Finançù). The Minister of Finance is to notify all Political Parties **and candidates** in advance of the Election of details regarding the PayPal account into which they may deposit their fee. Once a fee has been received by the Minister of Finance from a party **or candidate**, he shall notify the Nation and Burgermeister of Inland Revenue publicly that said fee has been received and arrange for said fee to be deposited in the Kingdom's Account managed by the Burgermeister of Inland Revenue.

9.1.3. Payment directly to the Burgermeister of Inland Revenue: Payment may be made directly in person to the Burgermeister of Inland Revenue, by cash, cheque or money order. The Burgermeister of Inland Revenue shall notify the nation which such payments have been received. The policy of Cheque and Money orders in 9.2.1. applies equally in this instance.

9.2. Once a fee has been received by the Burgermeister of Inland Revenue and/or the Minister of Finance and/or their appointed agents, it is not refundable for any reason. If, however, a party **or candidate** overpays or pays more than once for any given election period, excess fees may be credited to the party **or candidate** against a **future** payment of fees or refunded, at the discretion of the Burgermeister of Inland Revenue, minus any fees or costs incurred.

Uréu q'estadra sã,
Dame Miesträ Schivă (MC-FreeDems)

51RZ14 - An Act to Remove Bénéditsch Ardpresteir

WHEREAS , in the first instance, on November 3, 2017, Bénéditsch Ardpresteir, as a Pusine Justice of the Uppermost Cort of Talossa, issued a suo moto injunction;

WHEREAS , soon thereafter, other justices intervened to nullify the previous injunction;

WHEREAS ,
on November 6, 2017, the Attorney General requested leave to intervene and be heard on the matter;

WHEREAS , as of January 5, 2018, sixty ("60") days has elapsed from when the Attorney General requested leave to be heard on the matter, and throughout that duration, the Bénéditsch Ardpresteir failed to appear or act;

WHEREAS , the case remains an open case in which Bénéditsch Ardpresteir is a judge and a participant;

WHEREAS , in the second instance, on December 27, 2017, the Ministry of Justice, having concluded the investigation into the conduct and actions of Bénéditsch Ardpresteir, issued a report and recommendation to the Ziu pursuant to Lex.D.2.5.1;

WHEREAS , said report identified an civil action commenced on November 7, 2017 by the Ministry of Justice against Bénéditsch Ardpresteir, in his official capacity as a Justice of the Uppermost Cort of the Kingdom of Talossa and based on the aforementioned suo moto order issued in performing his official duties as a justice, which sought relief that would require Bénéditsch Ardpresteir to engage in certain official conduct as a Justice of the Uppermost Cort;

WHEREAS , on November 14, 2017, the Uppermost Cort of the Kingdom of Talossa instructed all parties to answer within a set period of time;

WHEREAS , that time having expired, and Bénéditsch Ardpresteir having failed to appear before the Cort, on December 16, 2017, the Cort entered default judgment in favor of the Attorney General;

WHEREAS , Bénéditsch Ardpresteir currently sits as a justice of the Uppermost Cort; and

WHEREAS , upon the passage of January 13, 2018, said justice failed to appear in an open case in which he was a participant, as instructed by the Cort, within sixty ("60") days, measured from November 14, 2017.

THEREFORE, pursuant to the Organic Law of the Kingdom of Talossa art. XVI § 1, the Ziu is empowered to remove a justice who fails to appear in an open case in which they are a participant involved by a simple majority vote of each house;

BE IT RESOLVED, that sixty ("60") days having expired from when the Attorney General sought leave to intervene in the action described in the first instance without Bénéditsch Ardpresteir appearing or acting in an open case in which he is a judge and is a participant; and that sixty ("60") days having expired from commencement of the aforementioned action in the second instance, the Ziu hereby removes Bénéditsch Ardpresteir for failure to appear and for failure to act in cases in which he was a participant and/or a judge/justice, in violation of the Organic Law.

Uréu q'estadra sã,
Viteu Marcianüs (Attorney General, MC-FreeDems)