

The November 2018 Clark

Fourth Clark of the 52nd Ziu

1. Results of the October 2018 Clark

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

52RZ08 – Recommendation of a Commissioner of the Royal Civil Service

Introduced by Sir Ian Plätschisch (Seneschal)

Agreed to by the Cosä 149-0 (37 abstained), by the Senäts 7-0

The Cosä and Senäts disagreed on the following bill:

52RZ07 – The Provincial Depiction Right of Determination Act

Introduced by Dien Tresplet (MC-FreeDems, Péngöpäts)

Agreed to by the Cosä 104-40 (42 abstained), rejected by the Senäts 3-4

The Cosä passed a Vote of Confidence in the Government 130-56 .

Members of the Cosä voted as follows:

Name	Party	Seats	RZ 7	RZ 8	VoC
Marti-Páir Furxhéir	FreeDems	9	Per	Per	Üc
Miesträ Schivä	FreeDems	12	Per	Per	Üc
Viteu Marcianüs	FreeDems	12	Per	Per	Üc
C. Carlüs Xheraltescu	FreeDems	11	Per	Per	Üc
Dien Tresplet	FreeDems	11	Per	Per	Üc
Eiric Börnatfiglheu	FreeDems	8	Aus	Per	Üc
Niclau Patíci	MRPT	14	<i>Did not vote</i>		
Erschéveþ da Schir	MRPT	14	Aus	Per	Üc
Tariq Zubair	MRPT	13	Aus	Aus	Üc
Txoteu Davinescu	MRPT	14	Per	Per	Üc
Cresti Nouacastra-Läxhirescu	MRPT	14	Per	Per	Üc
Mximo Carbonel	MTGA	7	Aus	Per	Non
Ian da Bitour	RUMP	12	Per	Aus	Non
Alexandreu Davinescu	RUMP	9	Per	Per	Non
Éovart Grischun	RUMP	12	Con	Per	Üc
Eovart Xhorxh	RUMP	12	Con	Aus	Non
Bénéditsch Ardpresteir	RUMP	16	Con	Per	Non
			104-40 (42)	149-0 (37)	130-56

Senators voted as follows:

Name	Province	RZ7	RZ8
Sevastáin Pinátsch	Atatürk	Con	Per
Lüc da Schir	Belacostă	Per	Per
Alexandreu Soleighlfred	Cézembre	Con	Per
Ma la Mha	Florenciä	<i>Did not vote</i>	
Gödafrïeu Válcadác'h	Fiovă	Per	Per
Cresti Siervicül	Maricopa	Per	Per
Ian Plätschisch	Maritiimi-Maxhestic	Con	Per
Trotxă Betiñéir	Vuode	Con	Per
		3-4	7-0

2. This Month's Business

The Fourth Clark of the 52nd Ziu runs from November 1st to 21st 2018/XXXIX.
Voting on the Clark is open until the 21st of November at 7:30 PM Talossan time.

The following bills have been presented for consideration:

52RS01 – Ratification of Standing Rule proposals (1 and 2)

Introduced by Sir Lüc da Schir (Senator-BE)

52RS02 – Ratification of Standing Rule proposals (3 and 4)

Introduced by Sir Lüc da Schir (Senator-BE)

52RZ09 – A Bill To Create An Organic Law Convention

Introduced by Dame Miestră Schivă (MC-FreeDems)

52RZ10 – The Call Me Maybe Not Act

Introduced by Sir Glüc da Dhi (Secretary of State)

52RZ11 – The Logical Act

Introduced by Sir Glüc da Dhi (Secretary of State)

52RZ12 – The Transparency in Government Positions Act

Introduced by Sir Ian Plätschisch (Seneschal)

52RZ13 – The Ailing BHAIID Act

Introduced by Sir Ian Plätschisch (Senator-MM)

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.

Ordered printed today, November 1st 2018/XLVI
The Secretary of State / El Secretar d'Estat
Sir Glüc da Dhi

A. Full text of all bills on the Clark

52RS01 - Ratification of Standing Rule proposals (1 and 2)

Resolved, that the Senate ratifies Rule proposals 1 (Terms) and 2 (Lord President (Mençei)), as adopted by the Committee on Rules and Administration.

Uréu q'estadra sã,
Sir Lüc da Schir (Senator-BE)

52RS02 - Ratification of Standing Rule proposals (3 and 4)

Resolved, that the Senate ratifies Rule proposals 3 (Questions of Eligibility) and 4 (Seniority), as adopted by the Committee on Rules and Administration.

Uréu q'estadra sã,

Sir Lüc da Schir (Senator-BE)

52RZ09 - A Bill To Create An Organic Law Convention

BE IT ENACTED by the King, Cosa and Senäts in Ziu assembled that:

1. An Organic Law Convention is established, consisting of the King and all members of the Ziu. Any of these members may choose not to participate.
2. The duty of this Convention shall be to propose, debate upon and decide upon amendments to the Draft of the 2019 Organic Law Act (hereinafter called "the Current Draft"). The text of the Current Draft shall be that authorised by the Seneschál upon this Bill becoming law.
3. The aim of this Convention shall be create a Final Draft 2019 Organic Law, in time to be Clarked before the end of the 52nd Cosa.
4. The Túischac'h shall be Chair of this convention and be responsible for enforcing rules of order, which shall be the same as for the Cosa until decided otherwise. If the Túischac'h refuses to do so or becomes unavailable, the Secretary of State will fulfil their role under this law.
5. Amendments to the Current Draft shall be "Hoppered" in the same way as bills for the Ziu.
6. On the 1st day of the last calendar month of the Convention, and on any other 1st day of the calender month during the convention as may seem appropriate, the Túischac'h shall publish a "Pseudo-Clark", containing all properly "Hoppered" amendments, for voting by Convention Members. The Túischac'h shall indicate whether one or more amendments contradict each other.
7. Any amendment which receives more "per" than "contra" votes from members of the Convention shall be adopted.
8. Following the end of voting on the last "Pseudo-Clark", the Túischac'h shall integrate the successful amendments into the Current Draft, to create the Final Draft, and deliver it to the Seneschál to be Clarked before the Ziu. The Convention shall then be dissolved.

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

52RZ10 - The Call Me Maybe Not Act

WHEREAS hey I just met you, and this law is crazy, and

WHEREAS the law requires the chancery to provide phone details in order to vote on the election, and

WHEREAS this law has not been put into practice in the last election, and

WHEREAS in preceding elections a phone number was only provided for North America, and

WHEREAS voting by phone currently requires a voter to know their PSC, and

WHEREAS knowing your PSC implies that you have access to an email address which is known by the chancery, and

WHEREAS this means you are able to vote by email, and

WHEREAS removing the vote by phone option therefore does not remove an option for voters who would otherwise not be able to vote, and

WHEREAS no complaints were received about the lacking vote by phone option, and

WHEREAS the SoS cannot be forced to sacrifice his own privacy by posting a personal phone number on the internet, and

WHEREAS neither the current budget nor any other budget in recent years provided funds for the chancery to buy a separate phone for the elections, and

WHEREAS if we really want the vote by phone option the government should provide the funds, and

WHEREAS Talossa has much better things to spend its money on, and

WHEREAS I cannot find the option of voting through the database anywhere in the law, now

Therefore Lex.B.3. which currently reads:

"Any citizen of Talossa may download, make copies of, and distribute said ballot. Any citizen of Talossa may vote on the ballot and send it in, by mail, to the Office of the Secretary of State. In addition, the Office of the Secretary of State shall make available telephone and e-mail contact information so voters can cast their votes through those media. Votes posted on Wittenberg shall also be counted."

shall be amended to read:

"Any citizen of Talossa may download, make copies of, and distribute said ballot. Any citizen of Talossa may vote on the ballot and send it in, by mail, to the Office of the Secretary of State. In addition, the Office of the Secretary of State shall make available ~~telephone and~~ e-mail contact information so voters can cast their votes through ~~those media~~ **that medium. The Office of the Secretary of State may additionally opt to provide other secure means to vote such as an electronic form on a website or a phone number.** Votes posted on Wittenberg shall also be counted."

Uréu q'estadra sã,
Sir Glüc da Dhi (Secretary of State)

52RZ11 - The Logical Act

WHEREAS when IRV was introduced live was so wonderful, a miracle, oh, it was beautiful, magical, but

Now it needs to be fixed to be more sensible, logical, oh, responsible, practical, and

WHEREAS in the past election multiple votes were received that listed the same candidate multiple times, and

WHEREAS if these additional votes for a candidate are counted among the totals for each preference level this could give these candidates and undue advantage in the case of ties, and

WHEREAS it is good to clear up any ambiguity about this matter, and

WHEREAS it furthermore would be wise to affirm what should happen in case a vote in a senatorial elections contains both valid and invalid parts (i.e. 1. valid candidate, 2. fictional character, 3. citizen of the wrong province, 4. valid candidate.), and

WHEREAS this bill was first drafted on the 28th of August 2018, which was Supertramp appreciation day, now

Therefore three sub-sections will be added after **Lex.B.14.1.** which will read:

"14.2. If a voter submits a ranked list of preferences in which a candidate is listed multiple times, only the highest preference for that candidate is valid and the lower preferences for that candidate are invalid.

14.3. A preference for someone who is not eligible for the contested senate seat because they are either not a citizen of the province represented by the contested senate seat or not eligible to vote is considered invalid.

14.4. If a voter submits a ranked list of preference which includes both valid preferences for candidates and invalid preferences, such as described by Lex.B.14.2. or Lex.B.14.3., then the invalid preferences are ignored but the vote itself will still be valid and the preference for candidates will be considered in the order of the valid preferences.",

Furthermore, the sub and sub-sub-sections directly following the new sub-section 14.4. will be re-numbered accordingly.

Uréu q'estadra sã,

Sir Glüc da Dhi (Secretary of State)

52RZ12 - The Transparency in Government Positions Act

WHEREAS Title D has many positions that nobody knows about, and

WHEREAS Title D also has many positions that people hold for several years after they stop being active because no one knows to fire them, and

WHEREAS That is a shame because some of these positions might be of interest to citizens new and old

THEREFORE a new Lex.D.1.5, which reads:

The Seneschal shall maintain a public list of all of the positions described in Titles C and D of el Lexhatx along with any subordinate positions that might be created. The list shall include the incumbent of any filled position as well as indicate vacant positions. When the list is updated, the old version shall be publicly archived along with the dates for which it was effective.

Uréu q'estadra sã,
Sir Ian Plätschisch (Seneschal)

52RZ13 - The Ailing BHAID Act

WHEREAS Not much has been done with BHAID since it was created in the 48th Cosa, and

WHEREAS If it were streamlined significantly it might be able to work, or at least replace TalossAID (which is confusingly operated out of the Ministry of the Interior despite not being defined by law anywhere) as Talossa's premiere humanitarian aid organization

THEREFORE Lex.D.2.6.6, which currently reads:

2.6.6 The Bureau for Humanitarian Aid and International Development (The Bureau) shall serve as the hub for the Kingdom of Talossa's support for disaster and poverty relief and other forms of humanitarian assistance, emergency response and the promotion of efforts towards socioeconomic development.

2.6.6.1 The Bureau shall operate under the auspices of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The Bureau shall be administered by an Administrator to be appointed by the Minister of Foreign Affairs with the approval of the Seneschal.

2.6.6.1.1 The Bureau shall be funded by contributions from individuals, nonprofit organizations and where deemed appropriate by the Ziu, legislative appropriations.

2.6.6.1.2 With respect to legislative appropriations its funding should be determined as a component of an approved Budget covering expected expenditures for an entire government term, with additional expenditures approved by the Ziu. For the purposes of funding decisions, additional expenditures includes disbursements composed of monies derived from private individual and organizational contributions.

2.6.6.2 All funding decisions should follow an internal approval process consisting of an affirmative review by the Bureau's Board of Governors to include the Administrator, the Minister of Foreign Affairs or a delegated official, two representatives of the Ziu (one from the Government and one from the Opposition) and a representative of the King.

2.6.6.2.1 If the internally approved funding decision allocates funds not included in current legislative appropriations then the proposal will be submitted as a standalone bill for consideration by the Ziu.

2.6.6.3 To ensure transparency and accountability, the Administrator or a delegated official shall be responsible for the development and maintenance of an agency website providing the total amount of funds at the Agency's disposal, a history of all agency funding decisions and information on the donation/appropriation process.
(48RZ15)

is hereby amended to read:

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2.6.6.3 The Administrator shall make every effort to ensure that Bureau's funds are donated to humanitarian organizations in a timely manner, and shall notify the public when outgoing donations are made. This notice shall include at least the amount, date, and beneficiary of the outgoing donation(s).

2.6.6.3.1 Other provisions of el Lexhatx notwithstanding, outgoing donations made with money contributed by private parties shall not require the approval of the Ziu.

Uréu q'estadra sã,
Sir Ian Plätschisch (Senator-MM)