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Amendment 1

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Proposal for a directive

Recital 2

Text proposed by the Commission

(2) Directive 98/83/EC set the legal framework to protect human health from the adverse effects of any contamination of water intended for human consumption by ensuring that it is wholesome and clean. This Directive should pursue the same objective. To that end, it is necessary to lay down at Union level the minimum requirements with which water intended for that purpose must comply. Member States should take **the** necessary measures to ensure that water intended for human consumption is free from any micro-organisms and parasites and from substances which, in certain cases, constitute a potential danger to human health, and that it meets those minimum requirements.

Amendment

(2) Directive 98/83/EC set the legal framework to protect human health from the adverse effects of any contamination of water intended for human consumption by ensuring that it is wholesome and clean. This Directive should pursue the same objective **and should provide the universal access to such water for all in the Union**. To that end, it is necessary to lay down at Union level the minimum requirements with which water intended for that purpose must comply. Member States should take **all** necessary measures to ensure that water intended for human consumption is free from any micro-organisms and parasites and from substances which, in certain cases, constitute a potential danger to human health, and that it meets those minimum requirements.

Or. en

Justification

Member States should be obliged to provide the universal access to water for all in the EU.

Amendment 2

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Proposal for a directive Recital 17 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(17 a) Given that this Directive responds to the European Citizens Initiative Right2Water, it is essential to examine the affordability of water as part of examining its accessibility. The setting up of an European Water Poverty Observatory will aid Member States and the Commission in examining the affordability and access of this water to people, especially vulnerable and marginalised groups.

Or. en

Justification

In order to help municipalities and Member States to assess the accessibility to drinkable water to the most vulnerable people establishing a Water Poverty Observatory could positively integrate competent authorities efforts to exam the affordability of water for such marginalised people.

Amendment 3

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Proposal for a directive Article 1 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The objective of this Directive shall be to protect human health from the adverse effects of any contamination of water intended for human consumption by ensuring that it is wholesome and clean.

Amendment

2. The objective of this Directive shall be to protect human health from the adverse effects of any contamination of water intended for human consumption by ensuring that it is wholesome and clean, ***and to provide universal access to water intended for human consumption.***

Or. en

Amendment 4

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Proposal for a directive

Article 8 – paragraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) identification of hazards and possible pollution sources affecting the bodies of water covered by the hazard assessment. To that end, Member States may use the review of the impact of human activity undertaken in accordance with Article 5 of Directive 2000/60/EC and information on significant pressures collected in accordance with point 1.4 of Annex II to that Directive;

Amendment

(c) identification of hazards and possible pollution sources affecting the bodies of water covered by the hazard assessment. ***Such research and identification of pollution sources shall be regularly updated to detect new substances that affect micro-plastics, and notably PFAS.*** To that end, Member States may use the review of the impact of human activity undertaken in accordance with Article 5 of Directive 2000/60/EC and information on significant pressures collected in accordance with point 1.4 of Annex II to that Directive;

Or. en

Justification

It is important that investigation and monitoring bodies should be able to update their means of detecting new substances, such as micro-plastics and PFAS, which are highly harmful for human health.

Amendment 5

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Proposal for a directive

Article 8 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

For the purpose of the regular monitoring, Member States may use the monitoring carried out in accordance with other Union legislation.

Amendment

For the purpose of the regular monitoring, ***as well as for new investigations to detect new harmful substances***, Member States may use the monitoring ***and investigation capacity*** carried out in accordance with other Union legislation.

Or. en

Justification

Regular monitoring, even carried out in accordance with and the support of other Union legislation, shall be able to include an in-time assessment of new harmful substances in particular those generated by industrial improvement in plastic and micro-plastic production.

Amendment 6

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Proposal for a directive

Article 13 – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Without prejudice to Article 9 of *Directive 2000/60/EC*, *Member States shall* take all necessary measures to *improve* access for all to water intended for human consumption and promote its use on their territory. This shall include all of the following measures:

Amendment

1. *Member States shall*, without prejudice to Article 9 of *Directive 2000/60/EC*, take all necessary measures to *provide universal* access for all to water intended for human consumption and promote its use on their territory. This shall include all of the following measures:

Or. en

Amendment 7

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Proposal for a directive

Article 13 – paragraph 1 – point b a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b a) banning water disconnections by water suppliers to households;

Or. en

Justification

Households need to be kept connected to drinkable water supply irrespective whether the water supplier is public or private owned: it is their right to have free access to water that cannot be denied.

Amendment 8

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Proposal for a directive

Article 13 – paragraph 1 – point c – point ii

Text proposed by the Commission

(ii) ***encouraging the*** provision of such water in administrations and public buildings;

Amendment

(ii) ***ensuring the free*** provision of such water in administrations and public buildings, ***as well as discouraging the use of water put in single use plastic bottles or containers in such administrations;***

Or. en

Amendment 9

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Proposal for a directive

Article 13 – paragraph 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2 a. Taking into account the data collected under the provisions set out in Article 15 paragraph 1a, the Commission shall collaborate with Member States to support municipalities in the Union to enable them to access technical assistance, available Union funding and long-term public loans at a preferential interest rate, particularly for the purpose of maintaining and renewing water infrastructure in order to ensure the provision of high quality water, and to extend water and sanitation services to vulnerable and marginalised population groups.

Or. en

Justification

In order to allow the most effective implementation of such Directive it is essential that the Commission provides all cooperation to Member states also activating public financial funds and loans to maintaining and improving efficiency and capacity of water infrastructure of those municipalities within the Union where more disadvantages could be suffered by vulnerable groups.

Amendment 10

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Proposal for a directive

Article 15 – paragraph 3 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3 a. In order to support the Member States in implementing this Article, the Commission shall establish, if appropriate, in cooperation with the Member States, a Union Water Poverty Observatory, with the aim of promoting the development of common indicators to assess physical and economic access to water, of providing a user-friendly and open-access resource that will promote public engagement on the issue of water poverty, of disseminating information and good practice to ensure access to water for all, of facilitating knowledge sharing among stakeholders, as well as of supporting informed decision making at local, national and Union level.

Or. en

Justification

Establishing a Water poverty Observatory could be useful in order to provide non binding exchange of information and dissemination of best practices, without interfering with the assessment of the implementation of the Directive by the Member States.

Amendment 11

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Proposal for a directive Annex I – part B – title

<i>Text proposed by the Commission</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
B	B <i>table – rows 29 and 30</i> <i>PFAS 0,01 µg/l 'PFAS' means each individual per-and polyfluoroalkyl substance (chemical formula: $C_nF_{2n+1}-R$).</i> <i>PFASs - Total 0,05 µg/l 'PFASs Total' means the sum of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (chemical formula: $C_nF_{2n+1}-R$).</i>

Or. en

Justification

The Epidemiological Observatory on human health when assessing the concentration of harmful substances provide all values in nano-grams as the more closely related to the effects on humans. Therefore, the proposed value in micrograms has to be update accordingly in order to deliver an effective reliable threshold of PFAS Moreover many new PFAS of 2nd and 3rd generation not yet detected are delivered in water and cumulate to the already known PFAS.

Amendment 12

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Proposal for a directive

Annex III – part B – point 1 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

The uncertainty of measurement laid down in Table 1 shall not be used as an additional tolerance to the parametric values set out in Annex I.

Amendment

The uncertainty of measurement laid down in Table 1 shall not be used as an additional tolerance to the parametric values set out in Annex I. ***table 1 – row 28***

PFAS 20

Or. en

Justification

An uncertainty of measurement of PFAS up to 50% is excessive and not in line even with the existing and used medical devices by the Human Health Observatory whose values are provided with a maximum of 20% as proposed in the amended text.