

## Chamber of Deputies: Maximum 120 days for sentencing and reasoning

**The plenum of the Chamber of Deputies has adopted, on Monday, the proposal to modify the Criminal Procedure Code (CPP), in accordance with the Constitutional Court's decision, according to which a court order must be reasoned at the date it is pronounced.**

244 deputies have voted in favor, 3 were opposed and 40 abstained.

"The deliberation, drafting and the judgment delivery are being made in a term of maximum 60 days since the end of debates. In thoroughly justified cases, if the deliberation, drafting and judgment delivery cannot take place during the timeframe, the court can successively delay the judgment, each delay not being able to go past 30 days. In all cases, deliberation, drafting and judgment delivery cannot take place later than 120 days since the end of debates," according to the draft law adopted by the Chamber of Deputies, which is a decisional forum in this case.

Through the legislative proposal there were situations regulated in which judges, members of the full court, are prevented - for example, by retirement - to sign the motivation of the decision.

"If any of the members of the full court is prevented from signing, the decision is signed in his/her place by the chairman of the full court. If the chairman of the full court is prevented from signing, the decision is signed by the president of the court," the legislative proposal mentions.