

National Radio Day established by Romanian Parliament

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On 27 November 2019 Romania's Chamber of Deputies (*Camera Deputaților* – the lower chamber of the Romanian Parliament) adopted the draft of a law establishing 1 November as "National Radio Day".

The draft Law was tabled by 55 Social Democrat and non-affiliated senators. The document was tacitly adopted by the Senate (the upper chamber of the Parliament) on 6 March 2019. The law contains the following provisions:

Art. 1. – 1 November is established as National Radio Day. Art. 2. – The national and local administrative authorities may organise cultural/scientific events dedicated to the celebration of National Radio Day or may provide logistical and/or financial support to non-governmental organisations or other institutions that organise such events. Art. 3. – The Romanian Radio Broadcasting Society and the Romanian Television Broadcasting Society, as public services, may include in their schedules programmes and/or excerpts from events dedicated to celebrating National Radio Day.

The sponsors of the law assert that their aim was, in establishing National Radio Day, to ensure the recognition of radio's crucial role in the history of Romania and to pay tribute to the journalists, technicians and artists who have spread certain values among the public via the airwaves. The first official radio programme in Romania was broadcast on 1 November 1928 at 5 p.m. local time.

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