

**LEGISLATIVE MONITORING
for August 2014**

| Legislative act | Status (date of approval/further consideration) | Short overview |
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| LAWS | | |
| <u>Law of Ukraine “On amending the Law of Ukraine “On Securing the Rights and Freedoms of Citizens and the Legal Regime in the Temporary Occupied Territory of Ukraine” regarding the place of stay and the right to education” of 12 August 2014 No. 1635-VII</u> | Entered into force on 11 September 2014 | Amendments concern, inter alia, the issuance of place-of-stay certificates to citizens of Ukraine who live in the temporarily occupied territory or have been displaced from there. Data on the place of stay of such persons are not to be entered into their passports. |
| <u>Law of Ukraine “On Sanctions” of 14 August 2014 No. 1644-VII</u> | Entered into force on 12 September 2014 | The law establishes legal grounds for Ukraine’s applying special economic and other restrictive measures (sanctions) regarding a foreign state, a foreign legal person, a legal person controlled by a foreign legal person or a natural non-resident person, foreigners, stateless persons and agents involved in terrorist activities. Sanctions may be applied for the purpose of protecting Ukraine’s national interests, national security, sovereignty and territorial integrity; counteracting terrorist activities; preventing violations of the rights, freedoms and legitimate interests of Ukrainian citizens, society and state, as well as restoring such rights, freedoms and interests after they have been violated. |
| <u>Law of Ukraine “On Amending the Law of Ukraine “On the Unified State Demographic Register and Documents that Confirm Ukrainian Citizenship or Identify a Person or Their Special Status” of 22 July 2014 No. 1601-VII</u> | Entered into force on 13 August 2014 | The Law defines digitized fingerprints as a person’s main biometric parameter and establishes legal grounds for digitizing fingerprints and storing them on a contactless electronic chip of Ukrainian passports for travelling abroad, diplomatic and service passports, seaman books, crew member IDs, stateless person IDs for foreign travel and refugee travel documents. |
| <u>Draft Law of Ukraine “On Internally</u> | Submitted by the | This is one of several draft laws registered |

[Displaced Persons”](#) (No. 4490a of 13 August 2014, MP Yu.P. Miroschnyenko)

committee for rejection on 16 August 2014

in the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine that are aimed at regulating the status of internally displaced persons.

[Draft Law of Ukraine “On Guaranteeing the Rights and Freedoms of Internally Displaced Persons”](#) (No. 4490a-1 of 28 August 2014, MP V.V. Patskan, MP I.V. Herashchenko, MP M.M. Ionova and others)

Submitted by the committee for consideration on 16 August 2014

This is one of several draft laws registered in the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine that are aimed at regulating the status of internally displaced persons, including mechanisms of exercising their right to document processing, movement, free choice of residence, free exit from the territory of Ukraine; the right to labor; the right to engage in entrepreneurial activity; the right to social protection and social security, health care, medical aid and education; the right to participate in elections and referendums and submit individual or group written applications or to apply in person to the state authorities, local self-government bodies and officials in these bodies; the right to own, use and manage their property, the results of their intellectual and creative activity; the right to judicial protection.

[Draft Law of Ukraine “On Amending the Law of Ukraine “On the Citizenship of Ukraine” \(regarding grounds for forfeiture of citizenship by persons whose actions are aimed against the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Ukraine](#) (No.4508a of 14 August 2014, MP O.V. Bondarchuk, MP Yu.M. Syrotiuk)

Submitted by the committee for further elaboration on 16 August 2014

The draft Law envisages amending Article 19 of the Law of Ukraine “On the Citizenship of Ukraine” with new point 4 under which the grounds for forfeiture of citizenship include participation in illegal military, terrorist and other formations that are opposed to the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Ukraine.

OTHER LEGAL ACTS

[Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 13 August 2014 No.346 “On the Government Office for European Integration”](#)

Entered into force on 21 August 2014

The resolution creates the Government Office for European Integration as a separate structural unit within the Secretariat of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine. One of the Government Office’s main tasks is to coordinate the activities of executive authorities to develop and carry out measures aimed at implementing the Association Agreement between Ukraine and the European Union, the European Atomic Energy Community and their member states, as well as other international treaties on European

integration and agreements between Ukraine and the EU.

[Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 27 August 2014 No. 338 “On approval of the Agreement between the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine and the Government of the Republic of Colombia on visa free travel for citizens using diplomatic, service and/or official passports”](#)

Entered into force on 2 September 2014

The resolution approves the Agreement executed on 21 August 2013 in Bogota.

[Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine No. 387 of 27 August 2014 “On approval of the Agreement between the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine and the Government of Iceland on visa facilitation”](#)

Entered into force on 2 September 2014

The resolution approves the Agreement executed on 25 September 2013 in New York.

[Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 6 August 2014 No. 385 “On approval of the State Strategy for Regional Development for the Period Until 2020”](#)

Entered into force on 3 September 2014

According to the resolution, one of the numerous tasks aimed at achieving the objectives of state regional policy for the period until 2020 is the improvement of the population employment structure by enhancing the quality of the working force, developing its professional mobility, organization of interregional and intraregional labor migration (primarily shuttle migration) to raise the employment level among the population in areas with excess labor force.

[Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 13 August 2014 No. 401 “On approval of the Regulation on the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine”](#)

Entered into force on 10 September 2014

The resolution was adopted pursuant to the Law of Ukraine “On the Central Executive Authorities” according to which the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine approves regulations on ministries and other central executive authorities. The previous Regulation on the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine was approved by a Decree of the President of Ukraine.

[Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 20 August 2014 No. 360 “On approval of the Regulation on the State Migration Service of Ukraine”](#)

Entered into force on 28 August 2014

The resolution was adopted pursuant to the Law of Ukraine “On the Central Executive Authorities” according to which the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine approves regulations on ministries and other central executive authorities. The previous Regulation on the State Migration Service

[Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 6 August 2014 No. 313 “On amending the Procedure for Adoption Activities and Supervision over Observance of the Rights of Adopted Children”](#)

Entered into force on
15 August 2014

of Ukraine was approved by a Decree of the President of Ukraine.

The changes concern, in particular, supervision over the observance of the rights of adopted children residing outside Ukraine.

[Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 6 August 2014 No. 316 “On approval of the Agreement between the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine and the Government of the Republic of Korea on visa free travel for citizens using official and service passports”](#)

Entered into force on
15 August 2014

The resolution approves the Agreement executed on 23 September 2013 in New York.

[Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 17 July 2014 No. 297 “On the State Service of Ukraine for the Autonomous Republic of Crimea, the city of Sevastopol and temporarily displaced persons”](#)

Entered into force on
6 August 2014

The resolution envisages the creation of the State Service of Ukraine for the Autonomous Republic of Crimea, the city of Sevastopol and temporarily displaced persons as a central executive authority whose activities are directed and coordinated by the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine.

[Decree of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 13 August 2014 No. 731-r “On signing Additional Agreement No. 1 \(letter agreement\) between the Government of Ukraine and the European Union, represented by the European Commission, to the Agreement on financing the project “Provision of readmission assistance and related measures within the EUBAM mission” of 25 August 2008”](#)

Entered into force on
13 August 2014

The Decree approves the draft Additional Agreement. The total budget of the Project is Euro 35 million. The implementation period of the core Agreement is 96 months.

[Decree of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 20 August 2014 No.742-r “On certain special aspects of student transfers from higher education institutions located in the temporarily occupied territory of Ukraine in the period from March through June 2014”](#)

Entered into force on
20 August 2014

The Decree regulates the issue of tuition fees for students whose tuition was paid by natural and legal persons and who studied in higher education institutions located in the temporarily occupied territory of Ukraine and were transferred to government- and community-owned higher education institutions located in other regions of Ukraine. In particular, such students received tuition waivers for the

2013-14 academic year.

[Decree of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 20 August 2014 No.780-r “On approval of the 2014-17 action plan to introduce documents that confirm Ukrainian citizenship or identify a person and their special status with implanted contactless electronic chips and to create a national system of biometric verification and identification of Ukrainian citizens, foreigners and stateless persons”](#)

Entered into force on 20 August 2014

The Decree approves relevant technical and organizational measures and defines executive authorities responsible for their implementation.

[Decree of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 20 August 2014 No.805-r “On approving the National Action Plan to implement the second phase of the EU Visa Liberalization Action Plan for Ukraine”](#)

Entered into force on 20 August 2014

The Decree approves relevant technical, organizational and legal measures and defines executive authorities responsible for their implementation.

[Decree of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 25 June 2014 No.766-r “On temporary works to build engineering facilities on the state border”](#)

Entered into force on 25 June 2014

The Decree defines measures taken to engage labor force in building engineering facilities on the state border.

[Decree of the President of Ukraine of 20 August 2014 No. 656/2014 “On the Presidential Commissioner for the Crimean Tatar People”](#)

Entered into force on 22 August 2014

In order to secure proper conditions for the Crimean Tatar people exercise of their civic, economic, social and cultural rights as an indigenous people of Ukraine and to preserve and develop its ethnic, cultural, linguistic and religious identity as part of Ukraine, the position of the Presidential Commissioner for the Crimean Tatar People is instituted.

[Decree of the President of Ukraine of 20 August 2014 No. 657/2014 “On appointing Mustafa Dzhemilev Presidential Commissioner for the Crimean Tatar people”](#)

Entered into force on 20 August 2014

Mustafa Dzhemilev is appointed Presidential Commissioner for the Crimean Tatar people.

[Order of the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine “On approving the Procedure of ordering, registering and issuing duplicates and corrected government-issued general secondary education certificates to persons who received general secondary education in](#)

Entered into force on 12 September 2014

The Order is issued with the view to regulate issues having to do with guaranteeing the right to education to persons who received general secondary education in the temporarily occupied territory of Ukraine, particularly in the case of loss or non-receipt by a secondary school

[education institutions in the temporary occupied territory of Ukraine” of 8 August 2014 No. 917, registered by the Ministry of Justice of Ukraine on 26 August 2014 under No. 1024/25801](#)

graduate of a government-issued general secondary education certificate or if it was damaged leading to its disintegration or loss of the majority of the document particulars making it impossible to identify its holder.

[Order of the Ministry of Social Policy of Ukraine “On approving the Procedure of issuing and the forms of documents confirming the results of informal professional training in trades” of 17 July 2014 No. 477, registered by the Ministry of Justice of Ukraine on 1 August 2014 under No. 897/25674](#)

Entered into force on 29 August 2014

The Order establishes the procedure of ordering, issuing and registering documents confirming the results of informal professional training in trades, including skills which Ukrainian citizens have acquired abroad.

[Order of the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine “On approving amendments to the Order of the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine of 29 October 2013 No. 1510” of 4 August 2014 No. 896, registered by the Ministry of Justice of Ukraine on 13 August 2014 under No.958/25735](#)

Entered into force on 29 August 2014

Amendments are made to the Entry Conditions for Ukraine’s education institutions in order to guarantee the rights of persons living in the territory of Donetsk and Luhansk regions.

[Order of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine, the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine and the Ministry of Justice of Ukraine “On amending the Rules for affixing the apostille to official documents intended for use in the territory of other states” of 13 August 2014 No. 341/934/1335/5, registered by the Ministry of Justice of Ukraine on 15 August 2014 under No. 981/25758](#)

Entered into force on 22 August 2014

Amendments are made in order to improve the procedure of affixing of apostille to official documents intended for use in the territory of other states.

[Protocol between the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine and the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Republic of Croatia on cooperation during the tourist season starting from 17 July 2014](#)

Entered into force on 30 July 2014

According to needs assessment, the Ukrainian Party sends its representatives to Croatia for the duration of the tourist season (1 July through 31 August) to assist Croatian law enforcement bodies in enhancing the security level and support of Ukrainian citizens who are in Croatia during the tourist season.