

**LEGISLATIVE MONITORING  
for March 2015**

Legislative act	Status (date of approval/further consideration)	Short overview
<b>LEGAL ACTS OF THE VERKHOVNA RADA OF UKRAINE</b>		
<a href="#"><u>Law of Ukraine “On amending certain laws of Ukraine on strengthening the social protection of internally displaced persons” of 5 March 2015 No. 245-VIII</u></a>	Entered into force on 27 March 2015	The Law introduces a number of additional measures to facilitate the employment of internally displaced persons.
<a href="#"><u>Draft Law of Ukraine “On amending certain laws of Ukraine on temporarily restricting the right to leave abroad of the members of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine and/or the heads of the central executive authorities” (No. 2476 of 26 March 2015, MP V.Z. Rabinovych)</u></a>	Sent to MPs for review on 30 March 2015	The Draft Law proposes to amend the laws of Ukraine “On the Procedure of Exiting from and Entering into Ukraine by Ukrainian citizens”, “On the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine” and “On the Central Executive Authorities” to set temporary restrictions on the right to leave abroad of the members of the Cabinet of Ministers and/or the heads of the central executive authorities in order to prevent them from escaping from the state after facing an indictment for corruption.
<a href="#"><u>Draft Law of Ukraine “On amending certain legislative acts of Ukraine” (on improving the procedure of entering and exiting from the uncontrolled territory by Ukrainian citizens and foreigners (stateless persons)) (No. 2488 of 30 March 2015, MP O.V. Dolzhenkov, MP A.V. Artemenko)</u></a>	Sent to MPs for review on 31 March 2015	The Draft Law proposes to regulate the way Ukrainian citizen, foreigners and stateless persons move in the region of the counter-terrorist operation, enter the uncontrolled territory and exit from it.
<a href="#"><u>Draft Law of Ukraine “On amending the Law of Ukraine “On Free Legal Assistance” (on guaranteeing the rights and freedoms of internally displaced persons) (No. 2373 of 13 March 2015, MP V.V. Patskan, MP H.M. Nemyria, MP V.Z. Rabinovych and others)</u></a>	Registered on 13 March 2015	The Draft Law proposes to add persons covered by the Law of Ukraine “On guaranteeing the rights and freedoms of internally displaced persons” to the list of persons eligible for free secondary legal assistance.
<a href="#"><u>Draft Law of Ukraine “On amending certain legislative acts of Ukraine on military service in the Armed Forces of Ukraine by foreigners and stateless persons” (No. 2389 of 17 March 2015, MP D.B. Tymchuk, MP I.Yu. Vinnyk, MP P.V. Dziublyk and others)</u></a>	Registered on 17 March 2015	The Draft Law proposes to amend the laws of Ukraine “On Military Duty and Military Service”, “On the Armed Forces of Ukraine” and “On the Status of the Internal Service of the Armed Forces of Ukraine” to regulate military service undertaken and performed by foreigners and stateless persons under contract in the ranks of privates and sergeant majors in the Armed Forces of Ukraine and other military formations. A new redaction of article 447 of the Criminal Code of Ukraine “Mercenaries” is also proposed.

[Draft Law of Ukraine “On amending the Law of Ukraine “On the State Border Guard Service of Ukraine” \(No. 2471 of 24 March 2015, President of Ukraine\)](#)

Registered on  
24 March 2015

The Draft Law is aimed at laying the legal grounds for increasing the maximum staff of the State Border Guard Service of Ukraine by 3,000 (to 53,000), including 45,000 servicemen, due to further escalation (after the annexation of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea) of the conflict in eastern Ukraine in connection with Russian aggression and the need to more densely protect the state border in the most threatened areas, which requires a higher number of servicemen on duty.

## OTHER LEGAL ACTS

[Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 4 March 2015 No. 79 “Certain issues in processing and issuing registration certificates to persons displaced from the temporarily occupied territory of Ukraine or the region of the counter-terrorist operation”](#)

Entered into force  
on 18 March 2015

The Resolution improves the procedure of processing and issuing this type of certificates, which is regulated by Resolution No. 509 of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 1 October 2014.

[Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 4 March 2015 No. 86 “Certain issues in crossing the state border of Ukraine”](#)

Entered into force  
on 7 March 2015

The Resolution introduces temporary restrictions on crossing the state border of Ukraine for residents of border regions of the Russian Federation.

[Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 11 March 2015 No. 110 “On amending certain resolutions of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine on the protection of human rights by simplifying access to free secondary legal assistance and improving its quality”](#)

Entered into force  
on 21 March 2015

The new redaction contains the Procedure of notifying centers for secondary legal assistance of cases in which persons are detained. The Procedure is approved by Resolution No. 1363 of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 28 December 2011. This resolution covers certain categories of foreigners and stateless persons.

[Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 18 March 2015 No. 117 “On amending Resolution No. 390 of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 29 May 2013”](#)

Will enter into force  
on 18 May 2015

The automotive border crossing points Kuchurhan and Platonove and the railroad crossing point Kuchurhan are removed from the list of crossing points on the state border of Ukraine for automotive and railroad transport through which alcohol, alcohol drinks and tobacco products subject to excise duty may enter into, transit through and exit from the customs territory of Ukraine.

[Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 18 March 2015 No. 121 “On amending the State Targeted](#)

Entered into force  
on 3 April 2015

The amendments concern the volume and sources of financing of the Program, as well as its

[Social Program of Counteracting Trafficking in Human Beings Until 2015”](#)

[Decree of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 4 March 2015 No. 213-r “On approval of the action plan to fulfill the Program of Activities of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine and the Ukraine 2020 Sustainable Development Strategy in 2015”](#)

Entered into force on 4 March 2015

objectives and implementation measures.

The measures are aimed, among other things, at the following:

- achieving the criteria for the introduction of a visa-free regime with the EU, including the issuance of biometric passports to citizens in line with the EU requirements;
- implementation of the project “The European Wall”: construction works to build a safe fortified border between Ukraine and the Russian Federation;
- creating the State Agency for Border Construction.

[Decree of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 11 March 2015 No. 179-r “On signing the Agreement between the Government of Ukraine and the Government of the United States of America on assistance in the areas of law enforcement and criminal justice ”](#)

Entered into force on 11 March 2015

According to the Agreement, the Government of the USA and the Government of Ukraine agree to launch a program to support reforms in law enforcement and criminal justice in Ukraine and facilitate its implementation, particularly the law enforcement reforms and capacity building of internal affairs bodies, border protection bodies and other law enforcement agencies.

[Decree of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 11 March 2015 No. 200-r “On approval of the plan developed by the Ministry of Infrastructure to implement Council Directive 90/314/EEC of 13 June 1990 on package travel, package holidays and package tours”](#)

Entered into force on 11 March 2015

Measures in the implementation plan, which is mainly aimed at improving the tourist services market, include those that are aimed at ensuring the security of citizens who travel abroad as tourists:

- establishing significant evidence of reliability in case the organizer and/or the retailer goes bankrupt;
- developing the national standard of tourist life and health security.

[Decree of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 13 March 2015 No. 207-r “On approval of the recommendation of the Ukraine-EU Association Council on the implementation of the Ukraine-EU Association Agenda”](#)

Entered into force on 13 March 2015

The Ukraine-EU Association Agenda lays a practical foundation for the achievement of the common goals of political association and economic integration in the form of a list of priority reforms and specific measures, as well as for the EU’s support of a wide range of important issues which are the subject of the Association Agreement and part of which are temporary applied from 1 November 2014. These issues include cooperation on border management, migration and asylum.

[Order of Ministry of Public Health of](#)

Entered into force

The Procedure is developed in order to ensure the

[Ukraine, the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine, the Ministry of Social Policy of Ukraine “On approval of the Procedure of interaction between public health institutions, territorial bodies and the institutions of the State Migration Service, the State Border Guard Service and the State Employment Service to arrange the provision of medical assistance against tuberculosis to foreigners and stateless persons staying in Ukraine” of 2 February 2015 No. 41/119/95, registered in the Ministry of Justice of Ukraine on 19 February 2015 under No. 194/26639](#)

on 31 March 2015

timely detection and provision of medical assistance to foreigners and stateless persons who have tuberculosis and are staying in Ukraine, both legally or illegally; to persons who have applied for the status of a refugee or persons in need of complementary protection; to persons in need of temporary protection.

[Order of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine “On approval of the Regulation on the operational and search unit of a state border protection body” of 2 February 2015 No. 118, registered in the Ministry of Justice of Ukraine on 18 February 2015 under No. 187/26632](#)

Entered into force on 17 March 2015

The new Regulation is approved in order to bring the activities of the units of the State Border Guard Service of Ukraine that perform operational and search activities into line with the Criminal Procedure Code of Ukraine.

[Order of the Ministry of Justice of Ukraine “On approval of Amendments to certain orders of the Ministry of Justice of Ukraine in the area of state registration of civil status acts” of 24 February 2015 No. 247/5, registered in the Ministry of Justice of Ukraine on 25 February 2015 under No. 218/26663](#)

Entered into force on 13 March 2015

The Amendments are adopted in order to properly guarantee the rights and interests of natural persons, including foreigners and stateless persons, while registering marriages and deaths.

[Order of the Ministry of Justice of Ukraine “Development issues in the system of free secondary legal assistance” of 10 March 2015 No. 331/5](#)

Adopted on 10 March 2015

Pursuant to this Order, new centers for free secondary legal assistance have been set up in various regions of Ukraine.

[Order of the State Statistics Service of Ukraine “On invalidating Order No. 28 of the Ministry of Statistics of Ukraine of 31 January 1996 “On approval of the forms of state statistics reports on external labor migration for the Ministry of Labor of Ukraine” of 25 February 2015 No. 64, registered in the Ministry of Justice of Ukraine on 10 March 2015 under No. 265/26710](#)

Entered into force on 31 March 2015

The invalidated Order approved the registration card of a Ukrainian citizen employed abroad and recruited by an employment service body or an intermediary company licensed to perform this type of business activity and the registration card of a Ukrainian citizen working abroad under a contractor agreement between a Ukrainian and a foreign business.