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TO THE COMPREHENSION OF THE ESSENCE AND CONTENT OF SUCH CATEGORY AS “PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION”

Development of Ukrainian administrative law is characterized not only by the development and adoption of legal acts, but also by the introduction of new categories (concepts) to legal activities. This tendency is quite reasonable because, as K. Belsky rightly emphasized, now it is extremely important to raise the issue of administrative and legal terminology on more solid scientific basis, to carry general inventory of all terminology, clear it of superfluous words and take care of the system of terms capable to mark the new reality in public administration accurately and correctly.

Modern administrative and legal literature under the term of public administration understands a series of bodies and institutions which implement public authority by enforcing the law, regulations

and other statutory instruments on behalf of public. According to V.K. Kolpakov, public administration as a legal category has two dimensions: functional and structural. According to the functional approach it is an activity of the structural entities to fulfill the functions aimed at implementing the public interest. According to the structural approach, public administration is a set of bodies formed for implementation (realization) of public authority.

Thus, making a general conclusion from the above, it is important to emphasize that the category of public administration is a complex system which combines a large number of actors involved in the implementation of the Constitution and laws of Ukraine, as well as the acts of the President of Ukraine which aim to meet the public interest.