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## **THE QUESTION OF STRUCTURE OF CRIMINALISTIC CHARACTERISTICS OF THEFT OF ELECTRICITY**

The article deals with the structure of criminalistic characteristics of crimes of theft of electricity, based on the disclosure of such elements as the subject of offence, the personality of offender, and the typical way and typical situation of committing crime, which in turn may be supplemented by other elements depending on the characteristics of individual criminal acts infringing on the legitimate rights and interests of people in the field of electric power.

Criminalistic characteristic of crimes has become an integral part of modern forensic science and continues to evolve and improve. However, despite this, scholars have significant differences in perception of this concept, in particular concerning issues of its structure both in general, and with regard to certain criminal acts.

This directly applies to such crimes as theft of electricity, criminological characteristics which has established

structures and requires the development of a common approach to its elements.

The article aims at determining the structure of criminological characteristics of crimes and the formation of structures on the basis of criminological characteristics of theft of electricity.

There is a significant number of scientific works devoted to criminalistic characteristics, including ones considering the structure of criminalistic characteristic. However, there is no common approach to this issue.

The aforementioned determines the need in further research of criminalistic characteristics of crimes related to theft of electricity, which has recently been the subject of many researches of modern scholars. However, their scientific contributions can not form a clear view of the structure of criminalistic characteristics of such crimes.

Thus, the article represents author's research of this relevant issue.