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PENSIONS FOR OFFICERS OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS BODIES DURING WARFARE IN PEACETIME

The article is devoted to finding innovations in provision of pensions for officers of internal affairs bodies, which are related to the warfare in eastern Ukraine in peacetime. The relevance of this paper is determined by the need to guarantee decent pensions for all persons eligible for retirement by setting their pensions above a living wage determined by law. Militia officers are not exception to this rule. They also have a right for a decent pension. In the current tragic circumstances in Ukraine, the service in the militia departments is one of the most dangerous, because these officers, in the first place, from the first day of hard struggles were called to defend the peace and order in the country. A large number of deaths in peacetime among militia officers, the exact number of which is not stated in the official data, of course, hit the whole country. In such circumstances, the relevant question is how the government responds to the need to support militia officers, and whether it performs some additional measures to protect them. The main

point today, obviously, is pensions, because some of the officers laid down their lives, and left their families, in many cases with children, while the others became disabled in peacetime. Thus, the aim of this study is to reveal significant amendments to the current law on pensions for militia officers, given the present risky circumstances. To achieve this goal it is expedient to review the principles of pension provision for specified categories of workers and give specific implementation of changes to legislation, to determine their effectiveness.

Also, the research shows that the legislator is trying to ensure a decent life for families of people who defend law and order and peace in the country in case of their death. However, shortcomings of these steps should include time lag in implementation of these safeguards and doubtfulness of their full implementation due to the difficult economic situation in the country as a result of the significant financial costs regarding warfare.