

PLANNING LAW-MAKING ACTIVITIES IN THE VERKHOVNA RADA OF UKRAINE



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PROPERLY ARRANGED PLANNING OF LAW-MAKING ACTIVITIES SHALL ENSURE:



coherent and coordinated work;



raising of public awareness of the political initiatives or changes in political agenda;



setting priorities in law-making activities;



timeliness in holding consultations and proper public involvement;



optimisation of work and allocation of necessary resources;



transparency of the process.



foreseeability of the public policies development;



TOOLS FOR PLANNING LAW-MAKING ACTIVITIES IN THE VERKHOVNA RADA

Plan of the legislative work of the Verkhovna Rada



Agenda of Verkhovna Rada session;

schedule of the plenary meetings of the Verkhovna Rada;

weekly agenda of the plenary meetings of the Verkhovna Rada;

agenda of the plenary meeting

Planning in the committees: *work plans of the committees; scheduled plans of work on draft laws and other draft acts of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine for which the committee is the leading one*

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NECESSARY ELEMENTS OF EFFECTIVE PLANNING OF LAW-MAKING ACTIVITIES

- Clear determination of a system of mandatory tools of current and forward planning;
- defining algorithms of proper use of such instruments;
- ensuring closer cooperation between the participants of the process of planning at each stage;
- increase of the government's role in law-making planning;
- carrying out proper analytical work at the preparatory stage;
- coordination of planning process with the budget cycle;
- ensuring the feasibility of execution: scope of law-making works must be defined in accordance with available resources both for preparation of draft laws and their passage in the parliament;
- informing, ahead of time, the persons involved and the stakeholders about the process of planning.



Systemic and timely planning facilitates improvement of the effectiveness of law-making activities and proper quality of legislation passed, and also, influences not only the Verkhovna Rada's activities but also those of the President and the Cabinet of Ministers.



Meeting the plans declared will also raise public confidence in the public institutions.

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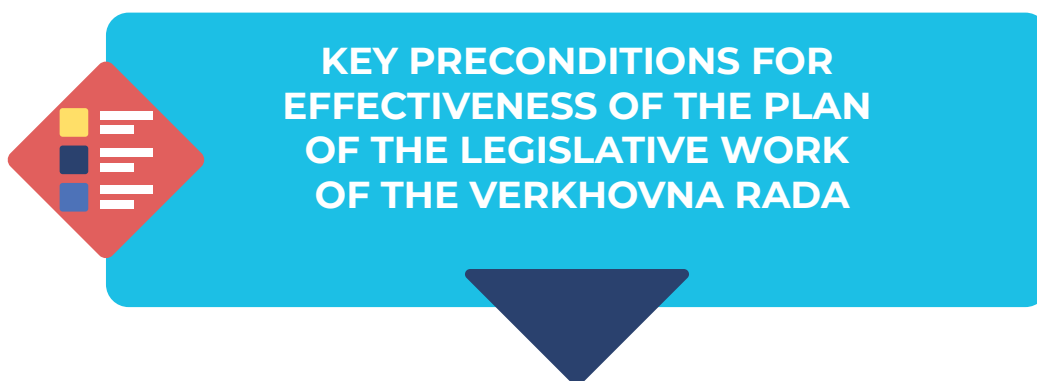


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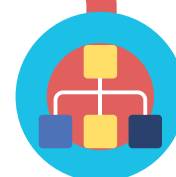
PLAN OF THE LEGISLATIVE WORK OF THE VERKHOVNA RADA: PRECONDITIONS AND KEY STAGES*

* Article 191 of the Law of Ukraine "On the Rules of Procedure of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine"



PREPARATION OF PROPOSALS TO THE PLAN

DRAWING UP OF THE PLAN, SUBMISSION, PRIORITISATION AND APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSALS



IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PLAN

PLAN MONITORING AND PERFORMANCE EVALUATION



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KEY PRECONDITIONS FOR EFFECTIVENESS OF THE PLAN OF THE LEGISLATIVE WORK OF THE VERKHOVNA RADA

- Assigning a status to the Plan as a joint instrument for planning of legislative work for all subjects of the legislative initiative;
- ensuring compliance with the Plan and taking it into account on the mandatory basis during drawing up an agenda of the session of the Verkhovna Rada;
- development and formal securing of an algorithm of preparation of proposals, drawing up, implementation and monitoring of the Plan;
- clear definition of the government's role during drawing up of the Plan.



PREPARATION OF PROPOSALS TO THE PLAN

- Ensuring that the proposals to the Plan interrelated with the other programme documents;
- carrying out proper analytical work;
- substantiation of availability of the resources for implementation of the proposals.



DRAWING UP OF THE PLAN, SUBMISSION, PRIORITISATION AND APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSALS

- Approval a unified form of proposal submission;
- definition of the role and tasks of each participant during drawing up of the Plan;
- working out approaches to prioritisation of the proposals;
- definition of a platform for effective political dialogue between all participants with the view to final prioritisation of the proposals and turning down (if necessary) of some proposals;
- making sure that the parliamentary minority's proposals are included in the Plan;
- defining approaches to taking into account and prioritisation of the MPs' proposals;
- coordination of the procedure for preparation of the Plan with the budget process and parliamentary oversight activities;
- providing for a transparent and clear procedure for updating the Plan, when necessary.



IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PLAN

- Formal securing of the Plans' and agenda of the session of the Verkhovna Rada's conformity;
- ensuring that the proposals as fixed in the Plan are taken into account on a priority basis when drawing up an agenda of the session.



PLAN MONITORING AND PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

- Ensuring continuous monitoring of implementation of the Plan and evaluation of the progress made;
- ensuring reporting on implementation of the Plan, at least after each plenary session;
- development of an electronic tool with user-friendly visualisation of the Plan.

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