

LEGISLATION UPDATE

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18 November, 2021

Control for engagement in illegal business activities enhanced.

19 November, 2021

Provisions on the payments to the compulsory medical insurance fund have been introduced to the number of legislative acts.

29 November, 2021

Additions to the exemptions from state duties.

Updates

The Law has been adopted on the amendments to the Code of Administrative Offences of the Republic of Azerbaijan, which raised issues about the responsibility for the illegal entrepreneurial activities.

Article 38.1 of the Code which sets the *term of 1 year* for the imposition of administrative penalty for a number of administrative offences has been extended to include the offence of "engagement in illegal business activities". With this, the general term of 3 months from the date of the commitment of the relevant offence for the imposition of administrative penalty has been prolonged.

Article 102.1 has also been amended to incorporate the *administrative investigation* in case of necessity to conduct an expert examination or other procedural actions that require sufficient time after the detection of an administrative offence of engagement in illegal business activities.

The Civil Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan, the Laws "On Insolvency and Bankruptcy", "On Execution", "On Banks", "On Theater and Theater Activity", "On Insurance Activity", "On Application of Special Economic Regime to Export Oriented Oil-Gas Operations" and "On Employment" have been amended to include provisions related to *the payments to the compulsory medical insurance fund.*

With the new amendments, a new ground has been added to the list of exemptions from state duty for the issuance of documents related to the state registration of ownership and other property rights to immovable property:

In accordance with the Law of the Republic of Azerbaijan "On Land Reform", no state duty is charged to issue an extract from the state register of real estate and technical documents (passport and plan measurements) on state registration of *property rights of persons* who received shares from privatized lands of liquidated state farms and collective farms but did not register their ownership rights.

Besides, not only issuance of the extract, but also *technical documents* (*passport and plan measurements*) to immovable property are exempted from state duty when made on the basis of acts, certificates and registration certificates confirming the rights to immovable property issued before state registration under the Law of the Republic of Azerbaijan "On State Registry of Real Estate".

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