

Monthly Newsletter on Regulatory and Legislative Changes



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Changes to the Legislative Framework

On Amendments and Supplements to the Tax Code HO-324-N, Amendments and Supplements to the law “On Personalized Registration of Income Tax, Profit Tax, and Social Payment” HO-325-N, Amendments to the law “On Compensation for Damage Caused to the Life or Health of Servicemen During the Defense of the Republic of Armenia” HO-326-N, Amendments and Supplements to the Code on Administrative Offenses HO-327-N (adopted on 24.10.2025, effective from 30.10.2025)

- Several amendments have been introduced to the Tax Code. Under the general provisions concerning the submission of tax calculations, the Code stipulates that specific sections may define particularities related to the calculation and its preparation.
- Under the current regulations, the tax authority may pre-fill annual income tax declarations for individuals; however, for these to be considered duly submitted, the individual must validate and submit them using an electronic signature.
- The amendments provide for the following:
 - for individuals required to submit an annual declaration, the tax authority shall pre-fill it based on the data available in its information database.
 - the pre-filled declaration becomes accessible to individuals from March 2 to July 1 of the year following the respective tax year.
 - individuals may modify the pre-filled declaration during the specified period and submit it in accordance with the prescribed procedure.
 - if the pre-filled declaration is not signed and submitted in the prescribed manner within the aforementioned period, it shall be deemed submitted to the tax authority in accordance with the procedure established by the Code.
 - in case errors are independently identified in the submitted declarations, corrected declarations may be submitted subsequently.
- compensation for social expenses is provided only if the person obliged to submit a declaration has submitted a declaration validated with an electronic signature to the tax authority in the prescribed manner.
- under transitional provisions, for the year 2024, the pre-filled declaration shall be made accessible to individuals by the tax authority from the date the amendment is effective, and for the year 2025, from March 2, 2026. Individuals obliged to submit a declaration shall have the opportunity to modify and submit the pre-filled declaration for the year 2024 until November 1, 2025, inclusive, and for the year 2025 until November 1, 2026, inclusive.
- In the Tax code, income subject to reduction for income tax purposes has been clarified as non-taxable income.
- Income received from family members that qualifies as reduced (non-taxable) income is not subject to declaration. Family members of an individual obliged to submit a declaration are considered to be the spouse, parents, sisters, brothers, children (including adoptive parents and adopted children), grandparents, and grandchildren.
- The Government will define the types or thresholds of income not subject to declaration in the tax return.
- According to the Law “On Personalized Registration of Income Tax, Profit Tax, and Social Payment”:
 1. in the case of individuals obliged to submit an annual income tax declaration, the personalized registration information database shall also include the data defined by the Government as necessary within the framework of the declaration system.
 2. for forming the information database, the authorized body shall get information from financial institutions, insurance companies, and the Central Depository of Armenia.
 3. the procedure for providing the data necessary for forming the information database by financial institutions and insurance companies of Armenia to the authorized body shall be defined by a joint order of the Central Bank and tax authority.

- Due to the revision of the deadlines for submitting income tax calculations and paying the tax under the Tax Code, corresponding amendments have been made to the Law “On Compensation for Damage Caused to the Life or Health of Servicemen During the Defense of the Republic of Armenia.”
- In the Code of Administrative Offenses, the provision establishing liability for failure to submit a declaration has been repealed.

On Amendment to the Criminal Code HO-310-N (adopted on 02.10.2025, effective from 30.10.2025) and Supplement to the law “On Military Police” HO-311-N (adopted on 02.10.2025, effective from 30.10.2025)

- The forms of manifestation of evasion from training assemblies by citizens are defined, the description of the criminal act being committed is clarified, the responsibility for evasion from training assemblies combined with a number of unlawful circumstances is tightened, as well as the scope of the Military Police's powers is clarified.

On Supplements to the law “On Ensuring Road Traffic Safety” HO-312-N (adopted on 02.10.2025, effective from 02.11.2025), amendments to the Code on Administrative Offenses HO-313-N (adopted on 02.10.2025, effective from 02.11.2025)

- From now on, drivers will be prohibited from installing mufflers that do not comply with the standard or additional amplifiers or loudspeakers for players in vehicles.
- Violating this norm will result in the imposition of a fine in the amount of ten times the established minimum wage, and the application of two penalty points, as well as the confiscation of devices emitting non-standard light or sound signals, mufflers or additional amplifiers or loudspeakers for players.

On Supplement to the law “On the State Border” HO-314-N (adopted on 02.10.2025, effective from 02.11.2025)

- In order to ensure the implementation of border control, it is planned to enshrine the operation of the SEKT system, to provide general conditions for entering information into it, to clarify the scope of issues subject to regulation at the sub-legislative level regarding the system and the functions of the authorized body.
- The set of data reflected in the SEKT system is defined. It is also stipulated that state bodies can have access to the SEKT system and enter data into the system within the scope of the powers reserved for them by law and in the volume necessary for the implementation of those powers.

On Amendments to the law “On State Regulation of Ensuring Technical Safety” HO-328-N (adopted on 24.10.2025, effective from 01.11.2025)

- It is planned to exclusively reserve the functions of carrying out technical safety expertise, providing the relevant expert conclusion, and carrying out technical inspection by the “National Center for Technical Safety” state non-commercial organization to only accredited persons.

On Ratifying the Agreement “On Financial Cooperation of 2023 between the Government of the Republic of Armenia and the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany” HO-330-N (adopted on 22.10.2025, effective from 31.10.2025)

- The Agreement on Financial Cooperation of 2023 (the Agreement) was signed between the Government of the Republic of Armenia and the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany on March 31, 2025.
- The Agreement envisages receiving a loan of up to 26,000,000 Euros from the KfW Development Bank for the “Development of Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency: Phase IV” program and a grant of up to 2,000,000 Euros for the related measures necessary for the implementation and consultation of the aforementioned program.
- In addition, the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany provides the Government of the Republic of Armenia or other borrowers to be jointly selected by the two governments with the opportunity to receive a concessional loan of up to 40,000,000 Euros for the “Development of Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency: Phase V” program, which is allocated through the KfW Development Bank within the framework of Public Development Cooperation.
- The Government exempts the KfW Development Bank from direct taxes payable in the Republic of Armenia related to the conclusion of the “Development of Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency: Phase IV and Phase V” programs or the loan agreements concluded within their framework.

On Ratifying the Protocol “On Amendments to the Agreement on the Eurasian Economic Union of May 29, 2014, in the part relating to the special mechanism when conducting studies and making decisions on the application or non-application of special protective, anti-dumping, and compensatory measures” HO-331-N (adopted on 22.10.2025, effective from 31.10.2025)

- The purpose of the Protocol is to make amendments to the Agreement on the Eurasian Economic Union aimed at improving the mechanisms for the application of special protective, anti-dumping, and compensatory measures in the Eurasian Economic Union, as well as optimizing the mechanism for decisions on the application of the specified measures, in order to eliminate the negative impact of increased and (or) unfair imports on EAEU producers.

On Amendments and Supplements to the “Police Integrity and Disciplinary Code” and other related laws HO-315-N (adopted on 02.10.2025, effective from 26.12.2025, with certain exceptions)

- The law “Police Integrity and Disciplinary Code” defines the regulations regarding the rules of conduct, incompatibility requirements, other restrictions, and conflict of interest for police officers.
- The powers of the Police Officers Ethics Commission, the incentives applied to police officers, the grounds for disciplinary liability, the applied disciplinary penalties, and so on are defined.

On Amendments and Supplements to the law of the Republic of Armenia “On Higher Education and Science” and other related laws HO-285-N (adopted on 11.09.2025, effective from 20.10.2025)

- The purpose of the adoption of the law of the Republic of Armenia "On Higher Education and Science" is to regulate relations connected with legal organizational and financial issues in the system of higher education and science of the Republic of Armenia and to define the principles for the formation of state policy in this sphere. The law will apply to all higher educational institutions and scientific organizations operating in the Republic of Armenia, regardless of their organizational and legal form.
- The law will also regulate issues related to the diploma of higher education, the licensing of higher educational institutions, the application of a warning against a higher education institution and the termination of a higher education institution's license, the institutional and program accreditation of higher education institutions, the recognition of foreign qualifications, and admission to higher education institutions.

On Amendment to the law “On Audiovisual Media” HO-329-N (adopted on 24.10.2025, effective from 08.11.2025)

- It is envisaged that the minimum number of public broadcasters shall be set at two, which is intended to ensure a more targeted use of budgetary funds, the strengthening of the financial stability of public broadcasters, and overall, the increase in the efficiency of the public broadcasting system.
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CHANGES TO GOVERNMENT RESOLUTIONS

“On Amendments to the Resolution of the Government of the Republic of Armenia No. 386-N of April 6, 2017” (No. 1393-N, adopted on 02.10.2025, effective from 12.10.2025)

- According to the current regulations, not all communities organize competitive procurement procedures through the electronic procurement system. Specifically, out of 70 communities, 44 make procurements through the system.
- The resolution proposes to expand the scope of contracting authorities that carry out electronic procurements by including the Yerevan Office for the Implementation of Development Investment Programs and 26 communities, the list of which is attached to the Government decision.

“On Amendments to Resolution No. 1499-N of October 21, 2010, of the Government of the Republic of Armenia” (No. 1419-N, adopted on 09.10.2025, effective from 19.10.2025)

- On March 5, 2025, Law HO-63-N “On making amendments and supplements to the Law ‘On Trade and Services’” was adopted. The following provision was added to the Law: “For the purpose of ensuring the identification of animal-origin raw materials and products obtained as a result of slaughterhouse slaughter of a locally produced or imported animal, the documents substantiating the slaughterhouse origin, as defined by a resolution of the Government of the Republic of Armenia, shall be posted in a place visible to consumers.”
- For the purpose of implementing the supplement made to the Law, it is proposed in this resolution to make a change in the standard form of the certificate titled “Transportation and sale across the territory of the Republic of animal-origin products and raw materials of local production of slaughterhouse origin,” namely, to add the words “from an imported animal” after the words “of local production,” bringing it into conformity with the legal regulation established by the Law.

“On Supplements to Resolution No. 905-N of July 3, 2025, of the Government of the Republic of Armenia” (No. 1428-N, adopted on 09.10.2025, effective from on 10.10.2025)

- By Resolution No. 905-N of July 3, 2025, “On applying a tariff quota to certain types of goods of Iranian origin imported into the territory of the Republic of Armenia from the Islamic Republic of Iran during 2025, establishing the procedure for distributing the permissible import volume, and approving the forms of one-time and master licenses,” it is envisaged to distribute tomato paste classified under HS codes 2002 90 110 0, 2002 90 190 0, 2002 90 310 0, 2002 90 390 0, 2002 90 910 0, 2002 90 990 0 with a tariff-quota volume of 365 tons. The resolution proposes to set, for the 365-ton volume of tomato paste allocated under the tariff quota, the validity period of the import license from October 16 of this year through December 31 of this year inclusive.

“On Supplements and Amendment to Resolution No. 201-L of February 28, 2019, of the Government of the Republic of Armenia” (No. 1422-L, adopted on 09.10.2025, effective from 10.10.2025)

- The adoption of the resolution is conditioned by the need to improve the terms of the program for subsidising interest rates on loans provided for the procurement of agricultural raw materials and to provide budgetary guarantees for the part of the required security that is lacking for economic operators to obtain loans for grape procurement in 2025. The resolution proposes to make the following supplements and amendment to the Program, according to which:
 1. In cases where the level of collateral is insufficient for loans provided for grape procurement (purchases), the Government shall provide, from September 1, 2025 to December 30, 2025, a budgetary guarantee of up to 50%, but not exceeding the value of the products exported in 2024;
 2. Within the framework of the Program, for loans provided for grape procurement in 2025, the deadline for concluding contracts shall be extended from “until September 1” to “until November 1.”
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“On approving the procedure for granting budgetary guarantees within the framework of loans provided for the procurement (purchase) of agricultural raw materials to economic operators implementing grape procurement in 2025” (No. 1426-L, adopted on 09.10.2025, effective from 11.10.2025)

- The resolution establishes that:
 1. Budgetary guarantees are provided, within the Program, to economic operators implementing grape procurement for loans granted from September 1, 2025 to December 30, 2025, and the amount of the budgetary guarantee shall not exceed 50% of the loan amount provided by the Financial Company (FC), and in any case shall not exceed the value of products exported in 2024. The minimum amount of the budgetary guarantee is 100 million AMD,
 2. Budgetary guarantees may be provided without additional collateral,
 3. Principal repayments made by the beneficiary under the loan shall be directed as a priority to the repayment of obligations secured by budgetary guarantees,
 4. Budgetary guarantees are provided with a maximum maturity of up to twenty-seven months,
 5. The total amount of budgetary guarantees provided in 2022, 2023, 2024 and to be provided in 2025 to each beneficiary and to legal entities affiliated with it under the Law “On Banks and Banking” may not exceed 5 billion AMD,
 6. Under this procedure, a beneficiary that conducts grape purchases in 2025 and carried out exports in 2024, has a positive credit history, and, as of the day preceding the application date, has no overdue tax obligations on incomes controlled by the tax authority, may benefit from a budgetary guarantee in 2025,
 7. If, during the validity period of the budgetary guarantee, the economic operator has overdue obligations of 90 days or more on obligations secured by the guarantee, it shall be ineligible for this support for 2 years.

“On Amendment and Supplement to Resolution No. 105-L of January 27, 2022, of the Government of the Republic of Armenia” (No. 1447-L, adopted on 09.10.2025, effective from 11.10.2025)

- The adoption of the Government's resolution “On making an amendment and a supplement to the decision approving the Program for Supporting the Leasing of Agricultural Machinery in the Republic of Armenia” is conditioned by the need to stimulate the efficient operation of agricultural cooperatives functioning in the Republic of Armenia. The Government of the Republic of Armenia has made changes to Resolution No. 105-L of January 27, 2022, expanding the scope of support for the leasing of agricultural machinery. Whereas previously the program concerned only the subsidisation of the interest rate, it now also includes partial subsidisation of the down payment of the value of the leasing object—exclusively for agricultural cooperatives.
- Under the new arrangement, the state subsidises 30 percent of the down payment (up to 2.5 million AMD), which will help reduce the financial burden on cooperatives when acquiring machinery. Only those cooperatives are eligible for the subsidy that have at least one year of activity, a clean credit history, no tax liabilities, and an approved business plan. The subsidisation envisaged by the Program will be implemented until December 30, 2026, and the acquired machinery may not be alienated during the subsequent 5 years.

“On Supplements to Resolution No. 1180-N of July 28, 2022, of the Government of the Republic of Armenia” (No. 1468-N, adopted on 16.10.2025, effective from 18.10.2025)

- It is proposed to comprehensively regulate relations connected with the Inspectorate's activities in respect of the assessment of a person's functionality, creating the necessary and sufficient preconditions for the Inspectorate's normal operation.
- In particular, the Health and Labor Inspectorate has been included among the state bodies that have access to the “e-disability” electronic system that conducts functionality assessments. The said Inspectorate has also been authorised to submit a petition regarding the re-assessment of a person's functionality.

“On Amendments and Supplements to Resolution No. 92-N of January 18, 2024, of the Government of the Republic of Armenia” (No. 1478-N, adopted on 23.10.2025, effective from 24.10.2025)

- The amendments envisaged by the resolution are aimed at:
 - 1.improving and clarifying the process for issuing film rental certificates, classification, and setting age restrictions,
 - 2.carrying out more effective oversight during the first screenings of films, ensuring the accuracy of the established classification,
 - 3.clarifying the list of documents required for the application and the procedure for their submission, thereby contributing to the integrity and transparency of administrative processes.
- The proposed regulations establish a special mechanism for issuing rental certificates to foreign films, which, on the one hand, protects copyright and commercial rights, and on the other hand, ensures the effective implementation of the State’s supervisory and regulatory functions.

“On Amendments to Resolution No. 718-N of April 30, 2020, of the Government of the Republic of Armenia” (No. 1528-N, adopted on 30.10.2025, effective from 01.11.2025)

- By the Government’s resolution, the risk-based checklists of the Health and Labor Inspectorate approved by Resolution No. 718-N of April 30, 2020 are amended, since in 2025 new normative and sub-legal acts were adopted (the procedure for advertising medicines and medical devices; the normative for tuberculosis prevention), which have established new requirements in the fields of sanitary-hygienic and anti-epidemic measures, as well as medical care and services.
- The purpose of the resolution is to:
 - 1.include the new normative requirements in the checklist templates,
 - 2.make inspections more targeted and effective,
 - 3.ensure proper supervision of the rules established in those fields.

“On Supplements and Amendments to Resolution No. 971-L of June 27, 2024, of the Government of the Republic of Armenia” (No. 1488-L, adopted on 23.10.2025, effective from 24.10.2025)

- To offset the reduction in exports of bottled brandy, it is proposed to provide state support to exporters of brandy alcohol from April 1, 2025 to April 1, 2026. The support will be provided to economic operators that export brandy and brandy alcohol classified under HS code 220820890, upon payment of the additional state duty of 100 AMD prescribed by law. The support does not extend to sales on the domestic market, nor to economic operators that did not carry out grape procurement in 2024–2025.
- The maximum amount of support may not exceed the product of the quantity of brandy spirit equivalent to the procured grapes (calculated at 100% alcohol) and 100 AMD, based on a ratio of 11 kg of grapes to 1 liter of alcohol.
- If the exported alcohol was purchased from another entity, support will be granted only if information in Form N6 issued by the seller is submitted to confirm that procurement was conducted.

“On Supplements and Amendment to Resolution No. 922-N of June 8, 2023, of the Government of the Republic of Armenia” (No. 1530-N, adopted on 30.10.2025, effective from 01.11.2025)

- The resolution proposes to simplify the procedure for assigning a Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) to natural persons who are not sole proprietors. Currently, to be registered with the tax authority, natural persons must submit a special application from their electronic personal account, after which the tax system provides them with a TIN within one working day.
 - It is envisaged that if, during identification in the Unified System of Electronic Services, a natural person gives the appropriate consent, the information system of the tax authority will automatically assign a TIN to that person without an additional application. In addition, for the purpose of submitting the annual income tax return, the tax authority will likewise be able to automatically assign a TIN to the person.
 - The regulation is aimed at reducing administrative procedures and ensuring the swift and automated registration of natural persons.
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“On Amendment to Resolution No. 35-N of January 14, 2021, of the Government of the Republic of Armenia” (No. 1516-N, adopted on 30.10.2025, effective from 31.12.2025)

- Article 292 of the Criminal Code of the Republic of Armenia establishes criminal liability for the smuggling—across the EAEU customs border or the state border of the Republic of Armenia—of cultural values or, in large quantities, strategically important raw materials included in a list approved by the Government, where such smuggling is committed without customs control or by concealing it, or by failing to declare reliable information in the prescribed manner, or by declaring it in another’s name, or by violating the rules established for their movement, including prohibitions or restrictions, or by deceitful use of a customs or other document.
- The list is defined by Government Resolution No. 35-N of January 14, 2021, “On approving the list of strategically important raw materials and cultural values,” which, in turn, refers to product types classified under HS codes 2530 90 000 1, 2616, 7101–7104, 7106–7112, 9602 00 000 1 included in Decision No. 54 of July 16, 2012 of the Council of the Eurasian Economic Commission (EEC). The latter has been repealed, and since January 1, 2022, Resolution No. 80 of September 14, 2021 of the EEC Council has been in force. In order to eliminate the above inconsistency, the resolution clarifies that the product types classified under HS codes 2530 90 000 1, 2616, 7101–7104, 7106–7112, 9602 00 000 1 included in Resolution No. 80 of September 14, 2021 of the EEC Council are considered to belong to the list of strategically important raw materials and cultural values.

“On Amendment to Resolution No. 113-N of January 25, 2024, of the Government of the Republic of Armenia” (No. 1523-N, adopted on 30.10.2025, effective from 31.10.2025)

- By the said resolution, relations were regulated concerning the procedure, amounts, and periods for reducing the tax or the taxable base, due to force majeure—extraordinary and, under the circumstances, unavoidable events—with respect to reporting periods falling within the timeframe prior to the registration in the Republic of Armenia of legal entities that had permanent establishments registered in the Republic of Armenia.
- Under the Government’s resolution, in order to benefit from the tax reliefs, a permanent establishment had to submit, in paper form, an application to the tax authority by June 30, 2024 for each period of use of the relief.

- Permanent establishments had only six months to submit applications to benefit from the reliefs provided by the resolution, and this period proved insufficient to file such applications.
- As a result, certain permanent establishments registered in the Republic of Armenia incurred additional tax obligations. The deadline for submitting applications to the tax authority for the tax reliefs is postponed until December 31, 2025, with the aim of improving the tax environment for permanent establishments registered in the Republic of Armenia.

“On the temporary application of a ban on the movement of certain goods from the Republic of Armenia to the member states of the Eurasian Economic Union and on their export to third countries” (No. 1518-N, adopted on 30.10.2025, effective from 02.02.2026)

- It is envisaged that from February 2, 2026 to August 2, 2026, the movement to EAEU member states and the export to third countries will be temporarily prohibited for:
 - 1.certain types of ferrous metals, pipes, and metal structures (HS codes 7201, 7204, 7303–7308, including certain used items),
 - 2.a broad list of non-ferrous metal waste and scrap (copper, aluminum, nickel, lead, etc.),
 - 3.as well as certain used or end-of-life machines, electrical equipment, and their parts (HS groups 8415–8549).
- The ban does not apply if:
 - 1.the goods were temporarily imported or exported under regulated customs procedures and are being returned,
 - 2.the export is by individuals in quantities permitted for personal use,
 - 3.the goods are intended for the operation of civil aviation or railway transport, or are produced in Armenia and included in the list of specified exceptions.

DRAFT LAWS APPROVED BY THE GOVERNMENT

“On approving the proposal to sign the letter-agreement for Amendment No. 3 to the Finance Contract ‘Community Infrastructure in the Water Sector’ between the Republic of Armenia and the European Investment Bank” (No. 1389-A, adopted on 02.10.2025, effective from 03.10.2025)

- It is planned to sign a letter-agreement for “Amendment No. 3 to the Finance Contract ‘Community Infrastructure in the Water Sector’” between the Government of the Republic of Armenia and the European Investment Bank (EIB), with the aim of extending the final availability period of the loan funds, the project implementation deadline, and the deadline for submitting project-related reports.
- To finance the construction works carried out under the above-mentioned contracts and the supervisory consultancy services provided, as well as to make payments envisaged by construction contracts to be concluded in the near future—and thus to ensure the prompt disbursement of the EIB loan funds—it is necessary and expedient to sign the proposed amendment letter-agreement.

“On approving the proposal to sign the Agreement ‘On Technical Cooperation,’ to be concluded in the form of an exchange of notes between the Government of the Republic of Armenia and the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany” (No. 1396-A, adopted on 02.10.2025, effective from 03.10.2025).

- Armenia is interested in expanding and strengthening cooperation with Germany in political, trade-economic, scientific-educational, cultural, and other areas of mutual interest, both bilaterally and multilaterally.
- The Agreement envisages the following assistance:
 1. Development of the private sector and initial and secondary vocational education in Armenia — up to EUR 6,100,000,
 2. Sustainable energy for the climate-resilient development of communities in the RA — up to EUR 6,100,000,
 3. Integrated development of communities of Armenia — up to EUR 3,100,000,
 4. Studies and Experts Funds in/for Armenia — up to EUR 300,000.
- For the implementation of the above four programs, the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany will provide personnel and in-kind services and, where necessary, financial resources, with a total value of EUR 15,600,000. Implementation is entrusted to the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ).

- The Government of the Republic of Armenia exempts the implementing organizations from all types of direct taxes arising in Armenia in the context of concluding and performing the above four programs or the performance contracts specified in Clause 3 of the Agreement and, where necessary, financial contracts.

“On the draft Presidential Decree ‘On approving the Agreement “On Cross-Border Admission of Securities for Placement and Circulation in Organized Trading in the Member States of the Eurasian Economic Union”” (No. 1401-A, adopted on 02.10.2025, effective from 03.10.2025)

- The Agreement “On Cross-Border Admission of Securities for Placement and Circulation in Organized Trading in the EAEU Member States” was developed by the Financial Department of the Eurasian Economic Commission together with the securities-market regulators of the member states, as a continuation of the pilot project “Broker-Dealer” (the Agreement “On access of brokers and dealers of one EAEU member state to the exchanges of other member states”).
 - The purpose of the Agreement is to ensure that securities listed in one EAEU member state may be placed and circulated in the other EAEU member states, thereby creating new opportunities for issuers to raise investment funds.
 - The Agreement sets the following core principles: non-discriminatory “access” of securities to the EAEU common exchange space, and the possibility of their circulation as well as primary placement.
 - The Agreement also sets the following limitations: “access” is available only for shares and bonds, and only for securities listed on the main (prime) boards of exchanges.
 - Concluding the Agreement will allow RA-resident investment service providers (brokers and dealers) to acquire “high-quality” securities listed and traded on the exchanges of EAEU member states without incurring additional costs.
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“On approving the draft law “On Supplements to the Law of the Republic of Armenia “On the Specifics of Administrative Proceedings in Cases of Violations of the Rules of the Road Detected by Video or Photo Recording Devices”” (No. 1427-A, adopted on 09.10.2025, effective from 10.10.2025)

- It is proposed to make the special rules—currently applicable to proceedings on offenses committed with vehicles not registered in the Republic of Armenia—also applicable to administrative acts issued in cases subject to review under the law, where the violations were committed with vehicles registered in the Republic of Armenia by persons considered “foreigners” under the Law “On Foreigners” and who do not have a residence status in the Republic of Armenia.
- Supplements are envisaged to the article on the specifics of proceedings for offenses committed with vehicles not registered in the RA, in particular:
 - 1.The scope of subjects will also include persons who are considered foreigners under the Law “On Foreigners” (foreign nationals and stateless persons), who do not have a residence status in the RA, even if the vehicle is registered in the RA.
 - 2.A provision will be added whereby liability for violations committed by persons considered foreigners without RA residence status shall be borne by that foreign person, if it is proven that the violation recorded with a vehicle registered in the RA was committed by a foreign national or a stateless person who does not have a residence status in the RA.

“On approving the draft law ‘On Amendments to the Criminal Code of the Republic of Armenia’” (No. 1452-A, adopted on 16.10.2025, effective from 17.10.2025)

- The draft proposes to clarify the circle of subjects for the offense of illicit enrichment provided by the RA Criminal Code, and the offense whereby a person obliged under Armenian law to file a declaration submits false data in the declaration, conceals data subject to declaration, or fails to submit the declaration. For this purpose, the Corruption Prevention Commission is empowered to define the situations in which a person may be held liable under the above offenses.

“On approving the draft Law of the Republic of Armenia ‘On Supplements and an Amendment to the Criminal Procedure Code of the Republic of Armenia’” (No. 1451-A, adopted on 16.10.2025, effective from 17.10.2025)

- The draft proposes: to provide a real possibility of rehabilitation for persons who, although not provided for by law, were involved in criminal proceedings before reaching the statutory age threshold for criminal liability and to establish the necessary institutional mechanisms and procedures for reviewing, on the ground of new circumstances, a final court act concerning the application of a preventive measure.

“On approving as urgent the draft law ‘On Amendments and Supplements to the Law of the Republic of Armenia “On Public and Individual Notification via the Internet”” and related laws” (No. 1462-A, adopted on 16.10.2025, effective from 17.10.2025)

- The draft proposes that notifications to natural persons, legal entities, and individual entrepreneurs be carried out electronically.
 - Natural persons. Notifications will be sent to the person’s official email address. If there is no confirmation of accessing the email within 3 days, the notification will be sent by hybrid mail (a postal service whereby the document is transmitted electronically to the postal operator, which prints and delivers it in paper form). If that is not received, public notification will be carried out. If the person has given written or electronic consent to receive notifications only by email, they are deemed properly notified on the 3rd day after posting, regardless of whether they accessed the system.
 - Legal entities and individual entrepreneurs. Notifications will be posted in the tax authority’s electronic filing system (the user’s personal page) and are deemed properly served on the 3rd day following posting. If there is no confirmation of system access within 3 days, notification will be made publicly, and the legal entity or individual entrepreneur is deemed properly notified on the 5th day after publication. It will also be possible to notify other legal and natural persons and individual entrepreneurs electronically if they are connected to the data-exchange layer defined by the Law “On Public Information.”
 - Purpose. To ensure an efficient, fast, and transparent notification process, reducing paper communication and the administrative costs of state bodies.
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“On the Government’s proposal regarding the draft Law of the Republic of Armenia ‘On a Supplement to the Law “On the Holidays and Memorial Days of the Republic of Armenia”” (No. 1486-L, adopted on 23.10.2025, effective from 24.10.2025)

- The draft proposes to designate January 27 as a non-working day—a day of remembrance and reverence to honor the memory of all those who died in military operations across all periods.

“On approving the draft law ‘On a Supplement to the Tax Code of the Republic of Armenia” (No. 1456-A, adopted on 16.10.2025, effective from 17.10.2025)

- The draft proposes to extend by one year the value added tax exemption defined by Article 64 of the Tax Code of the Republic of Armenia—from January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026.
- From January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026 inclusive—classification HS codes 8702 40 000, 8703 80 000, and 8711 60, and electric motor vehicles released after December 31, 2023 (including those having the status of EAEU goods)—the processing under the customs procedure “Release for domestic consumption,” or import by natural persons as a vehicle for personal use and release for free circulation, or import from EAEU member states, or alienation within the territory of the Republic of Armenia.

“On approving the draft law ‘On supplements and amendments to the Tax Code of the Republic of Armenia” (No. 1500-A, adopted on 30.10.2025, effective from 31.10.2025)

- It is proposed to establish that, within the framework of state-funded programs, the targeted monetary funds received by profit tax payers as reimbursement of expenses already incurred shall be considered income in the tax year when the respective assets are recognized as an expense or loss, regardless of whether they are deducted from gross income.
- Also, an exception is established from the above rule: within the framework of state support programs in the field of agriculture, the loans (leasing) received and the amounts of their interest rate subsidies shall not be considered income, and the amounts of interest rate subsidies calculated with respect thereto shall not be considered an expense.
- It is proposed to apply the suggested provisions to relations arising after 01.01.2024, taking into account that the said issue has become relevant starting from 2024 with respect to reimbursement of expenses incurred or losses received within the framework of state programs.

“On approving the draft Law of the Republic of Armenia ‘On supplements to the Land Code of the Republic of Armenia” (No. 1454-A, adopted on 16.10.2025, effective from 17.10.2025)

- The proposed supplements regulate the further disposal of land plots that previously were state property and were transferred to the respective communities by Government decisions, which at the moment of transfer were classified by the above-mentioned Government decisions as not subject to privatization, but thereafter, in the communities’ general plans or temporary schemes of land use, as well as in changes made or being made therein, with respect to the said land plots do not provide such a restriction—providing for their further disposal without making changes in the said decisions, on the basis of a certificate issued by the head of the community that the given land plot is no longer included in the list of land plots defined by Article 60 of the Land Code.
- At the same time, the transitional provisions stipulate that the effect of the law shall also extend to those land plots not yet alienated, whose target or functional purpose (land category) has been changed by urban development and land management documents before the entry into force of the present draft law.

“On approving the draft law ‘On amendments to the Law “On State Registration of Rights to Property”” (No. 1502-A, adopted on 30.10.2025, effective from 31.10.2025)

- The proposed changes are:
 - 1.the concept of a “consultation center” will be defined, which sets out the functions of the consultation center,
 - 2.at the same time, the consultation center will be vested with those powers that previously belonged to the service office, for example, the power to initiate state registration proceedings,
 - 3.certain documents necessary for the state registration of rights to property will henceforth be provided by the Government.
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“On approving the draft law ‘On amendments and supplements to the Law ‘On Valuation Activity’” (No. 1457-A, adopted on 16.10.2025, effective from 17.10.2025)

- The draft proposes to make a number of amendments and supplements to the Law within the framework of international treaties ratified by the Republic of Armenia. In particular:
 1. new concepts are defined, such as “service provider” and “recipient country,” which are necessary to ensure legal clarity in the newly added provisions,
 2. it is envisaged that valuation activity may also be carried out through service providers, which will contribute to expanding the professional potential of the market and the diversity of services provided,
 3. rights, duties, and restrictions are defined for both service providers and the Republic of Armenia’s qualified valuers and valuation organizations, ensuring a balanced and regulated nature of legal relations,
 4. changes are made to the procedure for using the registration program, in particular it is envisaged that the Cadastre Committee will provide a login and password not only to valuers, but also to the head of the valuers’ self-regulatory organization, to service providers, and to the heads of valuation organizations,
 5. new powers are defined for the Cadastre Committee as the authorized body regulating, supervising, and conducting qualification in the field of valuation activity. In particular, the Committee’s rights and obligations within the framework of international treaties ratified by the Republic of Armenia are clarified.
- The draft also provides that, under international treaties ratified by the Republic of Armenia, a property service provider operating in the territory of the Republic of Armenia may not carry out valuation services for which the client is the state or a community.

“On approving the drafts of the Law ‘On Amendments and Supplements to the Law ‘On Foreigners’” and related laws” (No. 1460-A, adopted on 16.10.2025, effective from 17.10.2025)

- With these amendments, a number of supplements have been made regarding the status of foreigners, in particular:
 1. By the example of the procedures for granting temporary residence status on the basis of employment activity, the processes for granting residence statuses on other grounds will be digitalized. Since January 2022, the unified electronic platform for the engagement of foreign workers—workpermit.am—has been operational, which will help facilitate the digitalization process.
 2. The types of residence statuses have been reviewed. In order to avoid duplication of the grounds for residence status, the draft proposes to invalidate (repeal) the provisions related to granting special residence status.
 3. The concept of a work visa has been defined. It is defined as: for the purpose of carrying out employment activity in the Republic of Armenia, to perform short-term employment activity in the territory of the Republic of Armenia or, on another ground provided by law, to obtain temporary residence status by submitting an application from within the territory of the Republic of Armenia, a document confirming temporary residence status issued for single or multiple entry with the right to stay for up to 120 days, without the possibility of extension. A work entry visa is issued only once during the given calendar year.
 - Instead of a work permit, a quota system has been introduced, which will make it possible, on the basis of the analysis of migration flows carried out each year, to set their desirable quotas in various formats.
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UPCOMING CHANGES TO THE REGULATORY FRAMEWORK

THE FOLLOWING DRAFT LAWS WERE ADOPTED IN THE FIRST READING ON 02.10.2025.

On Amendment and Supplements to the Tax Code (available at the [following link](#))

- It is proposed to allow profit taxpayers to reduce donations made to state public schools, universities (institutions of higher education), and initial vocational, secondary vocational educational institutions, up to 2.5% of their gross income, from the gross income.
- The same approach is also proposed to be applied to donations made to the Servicemen's Insurance Fund.

On Amendments and Supplements to the Law "On Ensuring the Uniformity of Measurements" (available at the [following link](#))

- The draft law provides for:
 1. concepts harmonized with the definitions set out in the International Organization of Legal Metrology's "International Vocabulary of Legal Metrology Terms" OIML V 1 and "International Vocabulary of Metrology: Basic and General Concepts and Associated Terms" OIML V 2-200,
 2. metrological requirements for pre-packaged products and their market placement requirements,
 3. metrological requirements for bottles used as measuring containers and their market placement requirements,
 4. requirements for non-automatic weighing instruments and the procedure for their market placement,
 5. the requirement for a Council of Metrology composed of experts from the field and assisting the national metrology body,
 6. clarification of the requirements for national and working measurement standards,
 7. clarification of the functions vested in the authorized metrology body and the national body, and so on.

On Amendments and Supplements to the Law "On Customs Regulation" (available at the [following link](#))

- The development of the draft law is conditioned by the necessity of introducing the electronic system "Unified Account of Customs Payments" (Unified Account), which is aimed at increasing the efficiency of the procedures for accounting and settling obligations related to customs payments.
 - Currently, transfers for the purpose of settling obligations related to customs payments are carried out to separate accounts opened at the Treasury, and several separate transfers may be carried out to settle obligations arising from one customs declaration, consequently prolonging the time spent on customs formalities and the amount of commission fees set for making the transfers separately. The goals of introducing the Unified Account are:
 1. To contribute to increasing the efficiency of customs administration,
 2. Facilitation of functions carried out by customs bodies, automation and simplification of the processes of obligation accounting and their settlement,
 3. Automation of penalty calculation for unsettled obligations.
 - The draft law provides for:
 1. The application of the Unified Account for the purpose of replenishing corresponding monetary funds and settling obligations with those funds, regardless of the customs body and the type of payment, which will significantly facilitate the accounting of monetary flows,
 2. Accessibility of the individual account for participants in foreign economic activity,
 3. Automatic calculation and accounting of penalties in accordance with the cases and procedure provided by the legislation,
 4. The possibility of automatic settlement of obligations in accordance with the adjustments set by the payer,
 5. Facilitation of the procedures for managing overpayments and refunding amounts.
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On Amendments and Supplements to the Laws “On Cybersecurity” (available at the [following link](#)), “On Public Information” (available at the [following link](#)), “On the Information Systems Regulation Body” (available at the [following link](#)), and other related laws

- The draft legislative package regulates the provision of a cyber-secure environment within the information systems and critical information infrastructures of vital sectors (energy, transport, communication, financial services, information technologies, and others (including digital infrastructure)). The law will regulate the detection, notification, and resolution of cyber incidents, the bodies of the state administration system in the field of cybersecurity and the scope of their powers, monitoring the compliance with the law's requirements, accountability, cybersecurity audit, and other relations related to cybersecurity.
- The Law “On Cybersecurity” will apply to:
 1. Legal entities and individual entrepreneurs who operate in one or more vital sectors and exploit an information system or critical information infrastructure,
 2. State administration and local self-government bodies. Other legal entities may voluntarily undertake the obligations arising from the law.
- The draft law "On Public Information" regulates the relations related to providing efficient and high-quality services to the public and every person in a digitally secure environment or through the implementation of an open information policy.
- The draft law "On the Information Systems Regulation Body" regulates the process of the creation and activity of the Information Systems Regulation Body, specifically the Information Systems Regulation Commission, its status, the requirements presented to its members, relations related to service in the body, and the scope of its competence and powers.

On Amendments and Supplements to the Law “On Waste” (available at the [following link](#)), On Supplement to the Code on Administrative Offenses (available at the [following link](#))

- The adoption of the draft law is intended to clarify certain competences of the Government and the Ministries of Environment and Health.
- It is also planned to secure the regulations related to the licensing of activities concerning the handling of hazardous waste. The processes of waste accounting, hazardous waste passportization, submission of statistical reports, as well as the implementation of monitoring and studies at waste disposal sites will also be clarified.
- The draft law also proposes to make a supplement to Article 43.2 of the Code of Administrative Offenses, by establishing a measure of administrative liability for violating the procedure for implementing landfill monitoring, which also applies to those managing the landfill.

On Amendments and Supplement to the Law “On the Probation Service” (available at the [following link](#))

- It is proposed that when granting the next rank to probation service officers appointed to positions in the Probation Service who have served in other state bodies, the term of service with that specific rank (class rank) in those bodies should also be taken into account.

On Amendments and Supplements to the Water Code (available at the [following link](#)), “On Amendment to the law “On the National Water Program of the Republic of Armenia”” (available at the [following link](#))

- The purpose of the draft law is the preservation of the national water resources through the creation of appropriate mechanisms for water resource management, the satisfaction of the demands of citizens and the economy for water of the necessary quantity and quality through the effective management of usable water resources, the prevention of the deterioration of the status of underground water bodies, and the assurance of the ecological stability of the environment.
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THE FOLLOWING DRAFT LAWS WERE ADOPTED IN THE FIRST READING ON 22.10.2025.

“On Amnesty for State Fee and Penalties Applied for the State Fee” (available at the [following link](#))

- It is envisioned that natural persons who had obligations regarding the state fee provided for by Point 15.6 of Part 15 of Article 19 of the Law “On State Fee” (which set the state fee rates for the type of activity subject to licensing for passenger transportation by a single passenger-taxi automobile by natural persons, in the form of monthly, quarterly, and annual fees) before June 29, 2019, will be exempted from the payment of the state fee and the penalties calculated for the non-payment of the state fee.

On Supplements and Amendments to the Law “On State Registration of Rights to Property” (available at the [following link](#))

- It is planned to secure regulations aimed at the authentication of contracts with an electronic digital signature and the automatic state registration of rights arising from them, through the Personal Office section available on the electronic system of the official website of the Cadastre Committee.
- The draft law details the requirements for contracts authenticated with an electronic digital signature in the Personal Office section by persons who have accessed the electronic system of the official website of the Cadastre Committee through the "Yes Em" national identification platform, as well as the regulations aimed at the implementation of the automatic state registration of rights arising from them.

On Supplements to the Civil Code (available at the [following link](#)), On Supplement to the Law “On State Registration of Rights to Property” (available at the [following link](#))

- It is provided that mixed contracts for the right to purchase real estate under construction and a mortgage, or mixed contracts for the sale and purchase of real estate and a mortgage, with the participation of a bank or a credit organization authorized to grant a mortgage loan, may be concluded without notarization, provided that they are formulated in accordance with the model forms of contracts not requiring notarization approved by the Government of the Republic of Armenia and are concluded on the unified platform of electronic services of the Cadastre Committee.

On Amendments to the Law “On Reproductive Health and Reproductive Rights of Human Beings” (available at the [following link](#))

- The regulations presented in the draft law will align the provisions recognized as contradicting the Constitution by the Constitutional Court's decision No. SDV-1775 of April 1, 2025, with the Constitution.
 - Specifically, according to Article 12 of the Law “On Reproductive Health and Reproductive Rights of Human Beings”, age restrictions for the right to use assisted reproductive technologies were stipulated for men (55 years old) and women (53 years old), and the age threshold for women to exercise the mentioned right was differentiated based on the circumstance of actually bearing the pregnancy (53 years old if the woman is actually bearing the pregnancy, and 55 years old if the woman is not actually bearing the pregnancy).
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THE FOLLOWING DRAFT LAWS WERE ADOPTED IN THE SECOND READING AND IN FULL ON 22.10.2025.

On Supplements and Amendments to the Law “On Mediation” (available at the [following link](#)), On Supplements and Amendments to the Civil Procedure Code (available at the [following link](#)), On Supplements to the Family Code (available at the [following link](#))

- It is planned to introduce the institution of co-mediators, stipulating that mediation may be carried out by involving several mediators in case of mutual agreement of the parties or in other cases provided for by law. Furthermore, it is provided that the amount of the mediators' remuneration is determined by agreement between the parties and the mediator, except for cases provided for by law, and in case of involving a constantly operating mediation institution, in the manner established by the institution's rules.
- It is also stipulated that foreign natural and legal persons have the right to apply to the Civil Court of General Jurisdiction of the First Instance of Yerevan city with a request for the court to approve a settlement agreement concluded out-of-court with the participation of an RA licensed mediator.

On Supplements and Amendments to the Law “On Medical Aid and Service to the Population” (available at the [following link](#))

1. The draft law proposes to:

- secure the authority of the authorized state governance body in the healthcare sector to assess the compliance of the introduced quality management system, as well as exceptions to the general requirement for organizations carrying out laboratory activities to introduce a quality management system, which are already defined by the RA Government Decision N 1413-N of September 02, 2021,
- define a legal consequence for the failure to introduce a quality management system in an organization carrying out laboratory activities, as well as define the fact that confirms the elimination of the cause of the violation in case the license is suspended on the aforementioned basis.

- As a legal consequence, the draft law proposes the suspension of the license for medical aid and service. The licensing body will be authorized to suspend the license for medical aid and service of the laboratory-diagnostic type for an organization carrying out laboratory activities in case a quality management system has not been introduced.
- The draft law also envisions vesting the Government with the authority to adopt the decision “On Forming the Register of Organizations Carrying out Laboratory Activities in the Republic of Armenia and Approving the Procedure for its Maintenance”.

On Amendments and Supplements to the Constitutional Law of the Republic of Armenia “On the Human Rights Defender” (available at the [following link](#))

- The amendments primarily increase the powers of the Defender. Specifically, the Defender will be authorized to submit a legal position (amicus brief) in connection with applications submitted to the Constitutional Court regarding issues of compliance with the provisions of Chapter 2 of the Constitution.

On Supplements and Amendments to the Law “On State Registration of Rights to Property” (available at the [following link](#))

- It is planned that all cadastral documents submitted or compiled after January 1, 2026, will be stored only in the electronically maintained cadastral file.
 - It is stipulated that the basis for initiating the state registration procedure is the application submitted by the registration subject requesting state registration of the right, which is submitted through the electronic system of the official website of the state register of real estate, authenticated with an electronic signature, with the exception of cases provided for by law where the application may also be submitted to the service office. The submitted application and attached documents are scanned and entered into the electronic system. After the application is entered, the applicant is provided with an extract on the acceptance of the application containing a QR code generated by the system.
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On Supplement and Amendments to the Law “On the Academy of Justice” (available at the following link)

- It is proposed to stipulate that the Rector of the Academy of Justice may conclude not only civil law contracts but also employment contracts with the persons involved in the teaching process at the Academy.

On Amendments to the Law “On State Non-Commercial Organizations” and amendments and supplements to other related laws (available at the following link)

- The legislator proposes to implement changes, as a result of which state bodies will lease state property from the state instead of using it free of charge.
- The main advantages of management based on lease are cost reimbursement, effective use of space, and clear accountability.

On Supplements to the Land Code (available at the following link)

- It is provided that the lease term for pastures from agricultural land may be extended for a period of up to 25 years for the purpose of implementing social or charitable or investment programs approved by the Government. In the case of granting pastures from agricultural land under a lease right for this purpose, the lessee is obliged to use them according to their target and functional designation.

On Supplements and Amendment to the Law “On State Registration of Rights to Property” and other related laws (available at the following link)

- The draft law is expected to ensure the full applicability of the electronic system by also submitting the acts adopted by the courts regarding the imposition or removal of restrictions on real estate to the state register of real estate electronically.

On Amendments and Supplements to the Family Code and to other related laws (available at the following link)

- The amendment aims to align with international treaty standards. Among other changes:
 - 1.in case of urgent need for alternative care, a provision regarding the guardian and custodian is planned to be secured,
 - 2.the mandatory assurance of the child's best interests in matters concerning them has been secured, including in cases of adoption,
 - 3.community-based child protection roles for specialized social workers have been institutionalized,
 - 4.mandatory reporting is required in cases of violence or its risk.

THE FOLLOWING DRAFT LAWS WERE ADOPTED IN THE FIRST READING ON 24.10.2025.

On Amendments and Supplements to the Law “On the Budgetary System of RA” (available at the following link)

- It is proposed to establish provisions ensuring the materialization and management of special fiscal risks and the publicity of information regarding them. It is provided to:
 - 1.define, that contracts creating conditional obligations and the amendments made to them must undergo preliminary review and mandatory registration by the authorized state body.
 - 2.add information related to special fiscal risks to the provisions outlining the fiscal policy of the mid-term expenditure program and the Government's budgetary address.
 - 3.include in the articles defining the sources of income for the state budget and community budgets the compensations and penalties paid by the private partner to the public partner within the framework of Public-Private Partnership (PPP) contracts defined by the Law “On Public-Private Partnership”.

On Amendments and Supplement to the Law “On State Debt” and to other related laws (available at the following link)

- The draft laws propose to secure new regulations, specifically:
 - 1.to revise the concept of “state debt” and to define the concept of “public sector debt”,
 - 2.to secure a clear authorization for the issuance of state foreign currency bonds, vesting it in the authorized body,
 - 3.to provide for a legislative requirement for the development and publication of an annual borrowing program,
 - 4.to define the competence of the authorized body to make amendments provided for by the contract after the international loan agreement enters into force,
 - 5.to stipulate that if the government debt as of December 31 of the previous year exceeds 60% of the GDP of the previous year in the draft law on the state budget for the upcoming year, then the government is prohibited from undertaking any new contractual conditional obligation or any new obligation during that year.
 - 6.to stipulate that if the sum of the government debt, contractual conditional obligations, and obligations arising from budgetary guarantees as of December 31 of the previous year exceeds 70% of the GDP of the previous year, then the government is prohibited from undertaking any new contractual conditional obligation or any new obligation during that year.
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THE FOLLOWING DRAFT LAWS WERE ADOPTED IN THE SECOND READING AND IN FULL ON 24.10.2025.

On Amendments to the Law "On Language" (available at the [following link](#))

- It is provided that the standardization (regulation) of translated and borrowed concepts and proper names used in state documentation circulation and legislation is carried out by the Standardization Commission. The procedure for standardization, the procedure for the formation of the Standardization Commission, and its work procedure shall be approved by the Government of Armenia.

On Supplements and Amendments to the Law "On Energy" (available at the [following link](#))

- Taking into account the complexities arising in the field of electric vehicle charging, the present draft law proposes to:
 1. secure that electric vehicle charging services may be provided by any person, including a consumer, which is not a type of activity subject to licensing in the energy sector and is not subject to regulation in the sense of the Law "On Energy," as well as to create an opportunity for the consumer to consume the electricity supplied to them also in a parking lot belonging to them and located outside the area where the consumer's consumption system is installed, and in another residential area registered as an independent property unit, by independently carrying out the interconnection of those systems in compliance with the current requirements.
 2. create an opportunity for autonomous energy producers with a capacity exceeding 150 kW to participate in the competitive electricity market on equal terms with other persons having the same status, thereby also promoting competition in the market.

On Supplements to the Law "On Education" and Supplements and Amendments to related laws (available at the [following link](#))

- The amendments concern the change in the subordination of public schools, as a result of which a transition will be made to a centralized model, under the subordination of the authorized state governance body of Education.
- The centralized management of public educational institutions in Armenia by one authorized body—the Ministry of Education, Science, Culture, and Sports (ESCS)—envisions a unified and integrated interaction of functions at the state, regional, and local levels, aimed at ensuring quality education.

On Amendments to the Law "On Procurement" (available at the [following link](#))

- The draft law:
 1. clarifies that the client cannot change the subject of the procurement provided for by the concluded contract, and the cases and procedure for changing the requirements presented to the characteristics (technical specification, terms of delivery and payment) shall be defined by the Government,
 2. provides that in cases where the participant recognized as the winner of the tender must submit the contract and qualification securities in the form of a bank guarantee, the period provided for their submission is initially set by the client in the invitation, which cannot be less than 10 days,
 3. provides that the characteristics of the subject of the procurement must be objectively justified and stem from the need for the satisfaction of which the given procurement is being made, and must include a complete description of the non-price conditions.

On Amendment to the Constitutional Law "Judicial Code of the Republic of Armenia" (available at the [following link](#))

- The purpose of the amendment is to align the legislative regulations with the Decision No. SDV-1780 of April 22, 2025, of the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Armenia.
- It is provided that the decisions of the Supreme Judicial Council regarding subjecting a judge and a member of the Supreme Judicial Council to disciplinary liability, as well as regarding the termination of the powers of a judge and a member of the Supreme Judicial Council, or giving consent to initiate criminal prosecution or deprive a judge and a member of the Supreme Judicial Council of liberty in connection with the exercise of their powers, shall henceforth be adopted by a majority of the total number of votes of the members of the Supreme Judicial Council (in the deliberation room, by open voting).

Drafts placed for public discussion on the E-DRAFT platform

Draft Resolutions of the Government of the Republic of Armenia “On Amendment and Supplement to Government Resolution N 1044-N of July 7, 2022” and “On Amendments and Supplements to Government Resolution N 1723-N of October 31, 2024” (available at the [following link](#))

- Within the framework of the Digitalization Strategy, the Cadastre Committee is taking an important step towards the complete digitalization of the issuance of qualification certificates in accordance with the requirements of the Laws "On Geodetic and Cartographic Activities" and "On Appraisal Activities."
- Under the current procedure, certificates were provided in paper format. The amendments envision a transition to exclusively electronic issuance, ensuring a high level of efficiency and transparency of administration.
- According to the new regulation:
 - 1.the certificate will be issued exclusively in electronic format.
 - 2.it will be sent to the email address indicated by the applicant no later than three working days after the qualification procedure is conducted.
 - 3.the authenticity and validity of the certificate will be guaranteed through a QR code and a control number, which will allow for online verification on the official website of the State Register of Real Estate.
- the amendments will eliminate the need for the circulation of paper duplicates, reduce the risks of errors, and contribute to rapid and simple administration based on the "one-stop-shop" principle.

Draft Law “On Supplements to the Administrative Procedure Code of the Republic of Armenia” (available at the [following link](#))

- It proposes to limit the right to appeal (cassation) in certain cases to a specific subject: administrative bodies. Specifically, if the claim in a case with a public legal monetary claim is up to 200,000 AMD (threshold: 200 times the minimum wage), the administrative body will be able to file an appeal only if a judicial error that fundamentally undermines the essence of justice is demonstrably shown.

Draft law “On Supplements to the Civil Code of the Republic of Armenia” (available at the [following link](#))

- The amendments provide for allowing developers to acquire state dram-denominated bonds using the funds in their special accounts. Under the existing restrictions, the income received from bank interest rates is often lower than market opportunities, which limits the effective use of special account funds. The proposed regulation will allow for increasing the profitability of those funds while not compromising the importance of the special account as a risk management tool.
- The interest income received from the bonds will be credited to the developer's bank account without expenditure restrictions, while the amounts received from the maturity or realization of the bonds will be exclusively returned to the developer's special account. At the same time, the restrictions currently applied to the special account (pledging, freezing, collection, etc.) will apply identically to the bonds.

Draft Resolution of the Government of the Republic of Armenia “On Defining the Procedure for Entering into the Digital System Employment Contracts Concluded and Continuing Until January 1, 2026” (available at the [following link](#))

- The draft law provides for defining the procedure for entering into the digital system employment contracts concluded and continuing until January 1, 2026, as well as individual legal acts on employment adopted and effective until July 1, 2025.
 - Concurrently, the draft law provides for a 12-month period for entering existing employment contracts (individual legal acts on employment) into the digital system and signing them with a digital signature.
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Draft Laws “On Making amendments and supplements to the Labor Code of the Republic of Armenia” and “On Amendment to the Law On Mediation” (available at the [following link](#))

- The draft law provides for the introduction of an out-of-court mechanism for the protection of labor rights in the form of a permanent Labor Disputes Commission operating within the Inspectorate Body. Parties may apply for dispute resolution either to the court or to the Commission, which operates free of charge, and the deadline for applying to the court is suspended from the moment of application to the Commission and resumes calculation from the day its decision enters into force.
- The Commission consists of 3 members: a chairman, as well as representatives of republican unions of trade unions and employers. The procedure for the remuneration and payment of travel expenses for the Commission members is determined by the head of the Inspectorate Body.

Draft Laws “On Making amendments to the Law “On Enforcement Proceedings”” and related laws (available at the [following link](#))

- In light of the development of electronic justice, the draft law proposes to condition the deadline for the entry into force of the regulations of the Law "On Enforcement Proceedings" concerning the channels with courts and the introduction of a system for submitting applications for compulsory enforcement electronically, with the combination of the relevant channels.

Draft Resolution of the Government of the Republic of Armenia “On Making amendments to Government Resolution N 765-N of May 20, 2004” (available at the [following link](#))

- The draft law proposes to stipulate that accredited organizations conducting expert examinations will submit expert opinions to the State Revenue Committee (SRC) only upon the existence of a corresponding demand from the SRC, whereas the submission of other necessary data regarding the subject of the examination (description of the goods, information not subject to publication, date of the conclusion, etc.) will continue to be mandatory.

On Defining the Categories of Goods and the Procedure for the Application of Transport (Carriage), Commercial, and (or) Other Documents as a Goods Declaration for Goods Processed under a Special Customs Procedure (available at the [following link](#))

- The draft law proposes to expand the scope defined by Decision N 263 (20.05.2010) of the Customs Union Commission, allowing for the accompanying transport/commercial and (or) other documents to be used as a goods declaration in the case of a number of goods processed under a special customs procedure but not included in that decision.
- It is stipulated that, for the purpose of accounting and control, the customs body may form an electronic version of the declaration. The State Revenue Committee (SRC) of the Republic of Armenia is vested with the authority to define the deadlines for the launch of such operations.

Package of Draft Laws “On Making amendments and supplements to the Law “On Trade Unions”” and “On Making amendments and supplements to the Law “On Employers' Unions”” and related draft laws (available at the [following link](#))

- The amendments to the Law “On Trade Unions” propose to align the trade union system with the international obligations undertaken by the Republic of Armenia: the right to trade union membership will no longer be linked solely to having an employment contract, and the state registration procedures will be simplified and expedited by reducing the deadlines and the administrative/fee burden.
- Concurrently, the right of trade unions to apply to court will receive a full procedural basis through the supplements planned in the Civil Procedure Code, to make it possible to effectively challenge acts adopted by the employer that worsen the socio-economic condition of the employees.

Thank you !
