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## THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW REGULATION OF THE LICENSING OF ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES: THE OVERVIEW OF SCIENTIFIC RESEARCHES

The article is devoted to an analytical review of scientific researches of the problem the administrative law regulation of the licensing of economic activities, identifying the theoretical gaps, discussion, scantily explored and unexplored issues and prospects for future scientific researches.

Licensing system in Ukraine, as in other post-Soviet countries, is still in the making, and this process is quite complicated and contradictory. Due to administrative reform, changes in the approach to the method of the administrative law and within the framework of a sustainable course for the removal of administrative barriers to the development of SMEs, is becoming especially acute the issue of development of the theoretical foundations of the Institute of Licensing, determine its place in the administrative law institutions and peculiarities of the administrative law regulation of the licensing, identifying the legal nature and shortcomings of modern licensing, forecasting the contraction of licensed activities, ordering of licensing and so on.

The author has done serious work on the analysis and generalization of currently available scientific publications devoted to licensing of economic activities. Research for the purposes of the review was conditionally divided into certain groups. In the first group reviewed scientific publications devoted to allowing activity in general. The second group is dedicated just to licensing. In this group has allocated administrative law and economic law researches of licensing. Separately are reviewed scientific publications the subject of which is the government regulation of business activity and the work of specialists in administrative law abroad. The author briefly describes the content of each research group, identifies the most valuable statements and conclusions, and notes the most typical representatives of each area.

This research allows to identify the main trends in the views of experts on the issue, identify the level of elaboration of the problem, the direction of future researches in the field of administrative law regulation of the licensing of economic activities.