

#### SUMMARY

**Kirichenko Yu.V. The obligation not to harm nature, cultural heritage, compensate for the damage caused: some issues about its constitutional recognition.** One of the important and integral elements of the constitutional and legal status of the man and the citizen is his or her duties, which he / she carries before the society, the government and other people. At the same time, the responsibilities are entrusted to the government, but in this case it is a question of the individuals' duties. Responsibilities are a vital element of the mechanism of stability in society, one of the factors of securing and violating the rights and freedoms of man and citizen. Along with rights and freedoms of the man and the citizen, most democratic constitutions have limited themselves to a minimum of constitutional obligations. However the Ukrainian legislator did not abandon a number of obligations in various areas of life and activity of a person, society and the state, including the obligation of each person not to cause damage to nature, cultural heritage, to compensate for the damage caused by him/her. Today in Ukraine there is no serious scientific research on the comparative legal analysis of the rules of the Constitution of Ukraine with the corresponding rules of the constitutions of the states of continental Europe, in which the obligation is established not to cause damage to nature, cultural heritage, to compensate for the damage caused.

In view of the above, the author has examined the constitutional practice of regulating the obligation of each person not to harm nature, cultural heritage, and to compensate for its damage in Ukraine and the countries of continental Europe. The legal content of the constitutional obligation enshrined in Art. 66 of the Constitution of Ukraine and similar norms of the constitutions of European states. The necessity of presenting this article in the new edition has been substantiated, namely:

"Everyone is obliged to take good care of the environment and the historical, cultural and spiritual heritage protected by law and to compensate for the damage they have caused. The state ensures the preservation of historical monuments and other objects of cultural value, takes measures to return to Ukraine people's cultural values beyond its borders ».

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