



## Azerbaijan Legal News Preparing for a changing landscape

### Amendments to the Code of Administrative Offences of the Republic of Azerbaijan

Amendments to the Administrative Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan dated 2 June 2016 provide for new penalties for violating the rules on the conclusion of deals with related persons.

As per the amendments, officials and legal entities, violating the rules on the conclusion of deals with related persons to banks and non-bank credit institutions, which inter alia includes the failure to provide information on such deals in compliance with the legislative requirements, are respectively subject to penalties of AZN 2,000 to 2,500 and AZN 15,000 to 20,000.

Officials and legal entities, violating the aforementioned rules with respect to joint stock companies are respectively subject to penalties of AZN 1,000 to 1,500 and AZN 10,000 to 15,000.

Officials and legal entities, violating the aforementioned rules with regard to other legal entities, are respectively exposed to penalties of AZN 500 to 1,000 and AZN 5,000 to 10,000.

# Amendments to the Criminal Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan

Amendments to the Criminal Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan (the “Amendments”) effective as of 1 June 2016 defines the new and updated provisions as well as stricter and expanded penalties for certain crimes predominantly concerning the economic sphere.

Thus, the Amendments stipulate increased penalties and new rules particularly concerning theft, property damage by deceit or abuse, interference with entrepreneurial activity, illegally obtained credit or its use in excess of the designated purpose, trade mark infringement, infringement of rules on the emission of securities and other crimes in the economic sphere.

The code provides for retroactive force of those amended provisions eliminating or softening the penalties for an individual currently or previously convicted or sentenced for committing a crime.

## Amendments to the Presidential Decree “On the Regulations of the Central and Local Executive Authorities”

Amendments to the Presidential Decrees “On the Regulations of the Central Executive Authorities” and “On the Regulations of the Local Executive Authorities” effective since 20 May 2016 introduce the Board of Appeals, aimed at the investigation of recurring complaints made by individuals or legal entities, engaged in entrepreneurial activities, on decisions, actions or inactions (excluding corruption related matters) of the respective executive authorities or their local organisations.

### Tax & Legal Department

[Home](#) | [Legal](#) | [Privacy](#)



96 Nizami St.  
Baku, AZ1010, Azerbaijan  
Tel: +994 (12) 404 12 10  
Fax: +994 (12) 404 12 11  
[www.deloitte.az](http://www.deloitte.az)

© 2016 Deloitte & Touche LLC. All rights reserved.

Deloitte refers to one or more of Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Limited, a UK private company limited by guarantee (“DTTL”), its network of member firms, and their related entities. DTTL and each of its member firms are legally separate and independent entities. DTTL (also referred to as “Deloitte Global”) does not provide services to clients.

Please see [www.deloitte.com/about](http://www.deloitte.com/about) for a more detailed description of DTTL and its member firms. Please see [www.deloitte.com/ru/about](http://www.deloitte.com/ru/about) for a detailed description of the legal structure of Deloitte & Touche CIS.

This communication is for internal distribution and use only among personnel of Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Limited, its member firms, and their related entities (collectively, the "Deloitte Network"). None of the Deloitte Network shall be responsible for any loss whatsoever sustained by any person who relies on this communication.