

# Legislative Tracking



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**Official website of the Russian Government**

<http://government.ru/orders/24127/>

### **Instructions of Presidium of the Russian Presidential Council session on strategic development and priority projects**

The following instructions on strategic development and priority projects have been given as a result of a session of the Presidium of the Russian Presidential Council:

- Prepare proposals for amendments to the Russian legislation for the purposes of, among other things, simplifying the integrated development and modernisation of built-up areas and the registration of residential construction sites and utilities;
- Address issues in the implementation of sanitary, construction and other standards and rules in relation to housing construction that has been restarted.

The Russian Government also approved the Presidium's proposals as regards the implementation of pilot, purpose-built rental housing construction projects through, among other things, collective investment vehicles and the development of proposals for the future development of the housing rental market on this basis.

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**Official Internet portal for legal information**

<http://publication.pravo.gov.ru/Document/View/0001201608110003>

### **Possible signing of Protocol on Exchange of Electronic Information between Tax Authorities of EEU Member States**

The Russian Government signed a directive approving the Russian Ministry of Finance's proposals on signing the Protocol on the Exchange of Electronic Information between the Tax Authorities of the EEU Member States for the Purposes of Tax Administration.

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**Official website of the Russian State Duma**

[http://asozd2.duma.gov.ru/addwork/scans.nsf/ID/E1B1FE436B30487C4325800C00442666/\\$File/1148251-6\\_11082016\\_1148251-6.PDF?OpenElement](http://asozd2.duma.gov.ru/addwork/scans.nsf/ID/E1B1FE436B30487C4325800C00442666/$File/1148251-6_11082016_1148251-6.PDF?OpenElement)

## **Draft law requiring participants in state procurement to disclose beneficiaries**

Draft Law No. 1148251-6 has been introduced to the Russian State Duma for consideration. The draft law would require participants in state procurement programmes to disclose all possible beneficiaries (individuals) of the procurement, including information on founders, members of executive boards and sole executives of legal entities participating in the procurement. The number of shares of the beneficiaries (individuals) in organisations participating in procurement programmes must also be disclosed.

If adopted, this law will enter into force 90 days from the moment of its official publication.

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**Federal portal for draft regulations**

<http://regulation.gov.ru/projects#npa=52623>

## **Zero VAT rate considered for goods sold by individuals and exported from EEU**

The Russian Ministry of Finance has begun preparing a Draft Federal Law “On the Introduction of Amendments to Chapter 21 ‘Value-added Tax’ of Part Two of the Russian Tax Code”. The draft law would enable the application of a zero VAT rate upon the sale of goods by retail companies if the acquired goods are exported from the customs territory of the Eurasian Economic Union by individuals who have the right to VAT refunds.

Please note that the development of this draft law is being developed under the initiative to introduce a tax-free system in Russia (for more details, please see LT of [29 April 2016](#)).

The text of the draft law has not yet been published.

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**Vedomosti**

<http://www.vedomosti.ru/technology/articles/2016/08/12/652742-messendzheri-dolzni-identifitsirovat-polzovatelei-presekat-obmen-nezakonnoi-informatsiei>

## **Intiative requiring online service companies to identify users and counteracting exchange of illegal information**

The Media-Communications Union developed a draft law that would require owners of messenger and email services to identify users and delete forbidden information. According to the draft law, any facilitator of information distribution on the Internet that enables the exchange of electronic messages will be obliged to identify users based on information stored in the databases of the communications providers and to block messages or publications containing information shared in violation of Russian legislation without delay. If these requirements are violated, providers may limit access to the service at the discretion of the Federal Service for Supervision in Telecoms, Information Technology and Mass Communications (Roskomnadzor).

The text of the draft law has not yet been officially published.

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