



On State Youth Policy

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This Law regulates the social relations, arising in the scope of the state youth policy.

Chapter 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 1. Basic concepts used in this Law

The following basic concepts shall be used in this Law:

1) young professional – a citizen of the Republic of Kazakhstan, who has not reached the age of twenty nine, mastered the educational training programs in the organizations of technical and professional, post-secondary, higher and postgraduate education and working not more than three years by profession, specified in the document on education;

2) a young family – a family, in which both of spouses not reached the age of twenty nine, or single-parent family, in which the child (children) brings up a parent who has not attained the age of twenty-nine years

3) youth – the citizens of the Republic of Kazakhstan from fourteen to twenty-nine years;

4) social infrastructure for youth – a system of objects (buildings, structures, constructions), necessary for implementation of the state youth policy, as well as organizations, which carry out an activity of health protection, education, upbringing, social service, physical, spiritual and moral development of young citizens, ensuring their employment and meeting their social needs;

4-1) working youth - citizens of the Republic of Kazakhstan who have not reached the age of twenty-nine, who have mastered the educational curricula of general education schools and (or) organizations of technical and vocational and (or) post-secondary, and (or) higher, and (or) postgraduate education and carrying out labor activities;

5) national report “Youth of Kazakhstan” – an annual report, containing the analysis of implementation of the state youth policy and recommendations for its improvement;

6) the state youth policy – a system of social and economic, organizational and legal measures, carrying out by the state and directed at support and development of youth;

7) an authorized body on issues of the state youth policy (hereinafter the authorized body) – a central executive body, carrying out management and cross-sector coordination in the scope of the state youth policy;

8) regional forum of youth – a forum of representatives of youth, conducted for the purposes of formation of regional level of interaction between the local executive bodies and youth;

9) republican forum of youth – a forum of representatives of youth, elected on the regional forums, conducted for the purposes of formation of national level of interaction between the state bodies and youth.

Footnote. Article 1 as amended by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 06.05.2019 No. 251-VI (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after the day of its first official publication).

Article 2. The legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan in the scope of the state youth policy

1. The legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan in the scope of the state youth policy shall be based on the Constitution of the Republic of Kazakhstan and shall consist of this Law and other regulatory legal acts of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

2. If by the international treaty, ratified by the Republic of Kazakhstan, made other rules than those that contained in this Law, the rules of the international treaty shall be applied.

Article 3. The purpose, tasks and principles of the state youth policy

1. The purpose of the state youth policy shall be creation of conditions for full spiritual, cultural, educational, professional and physical development of youth, participation in the process of adoption decisions, successful socialization and direction of its potential for further development of the country.

2. The tasks of the state youth policy shall be:

- 1) protection of rights and legal interests of youth;
- 2) involvement of youth to the social-economic and socio-political life of the country;
- 3) education of citizenship and strengthening the feeling of the Kazakhstan patriotism.

3. The state youth policy shall be based on the principles:

- 1) the priority of cultural, moral and spiritual values;
- 2) citizenship, responsibility, industry;
- 3) inter-confessional consent and inter-ethnic tolerance;
- 4) intergenerational continuity, priority of family education;
- 5) participation of youth in formation and implementation of the state youth policy;
- 6) scientific, comprehensive and sequential approach in the formation and implementation of the state youth policy.

Article 4. Basic directions of the state youth policy

The basic directions of the state youth policy shall be:

- 1) ensuring of accessible and quality education, development of scientific and technical potential;
- 2) preservation and promotion of health, formation of healthy lifestyle;
- 3) creation of conditions arrangement of labour and employment;
- 4) creation conditions for development of entrepreneurial activity among youth;
- 5) development of a system of affordable housing for young families and working youth;
- 6) level increase of legal culture, education of impatience to the development of corruption;
- 7) formation of environmental culture;
- 8) contribution to development of talented youth;
- 9) provision of conditions for cultural leisure and rest.

Footnote. Article 4 as amended by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 06.05.2019 No. 251-VI (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after the day of its first official publication).

Chapter 2. THE COMPETENCE OF THE STATE BODIES IN THE SCOPE OF THE STATE YOUTH POLICY

Article 5. The competence of the government of the Republic of Kazakhstan

The Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan shall:

- 1) develop the basic directions of the state youth policy and organize its implementation;
- 2) introduce to the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan thenational report “Youth of Kazakhstan”;
- 3) approve procedure of awarding, the amount of monetary remuneration and nomination of the State youth award "Daryn";
- 4) execute other functions, imposed on it by the Constitution, the Laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan and acts of the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Article 6. The competence of the authorized body

The authorized body shall:

- 1) form and implement the state youth policy;
- 2) carry out coordination and methodical management of local executive bodies on issues of the state youth policy;
- 3) carry out interaction and cooperation with youth organizations on issues of the state youth policy;
- 4) carry out formation, implementation, implementation monitoring and assessment of the results of state social order on issues of state youth policy;

- 5) carry out explanatory work on issues of the state youth policy;
- 6) carry out scientific and methodological support of the state youth policy;
- 7) develop and approve the regulatory legal acts in the scope of the state youth policy;
- 8) organize and coordinate the work on preparation and introduction of national report “Youth of Kazakhstan” to the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan;
- 9) develop and approve the model regulation on councils in the matter of youth upon akimats;
- 10) develop and approve procedure of conducting of republican forum of youth and model rules on regional forum of youth;
- 11) develop and approve the model regulation on youth resource centers;
- 12) develop procedure of awarding of the State youth award “Daryn”;
- 12-1) develops and approves the rules for provision of rental housing without a purchase option for the working youth;
- 13) contribute to the development of voluntary activity of youth;
- 14) exercise other powers, provided by this Law, other Laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan, acts of the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan and the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Footnote. Article 6 as amended by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 13.06.2018 No. 160-VI (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication); dated 06.05.2019 No. 251-VI (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after the day of its first official publication).

Article 7. The competence of the authorized body in the field of education

The authorized body in the field of education within its competence shall:

- 1) implement the state youth policy;
- 2) carry out interaction and cooperation with youth organizations on issues of education;
- 3) carry out formation, implementation, implementation monitoring and assessment of the results of state social order on education issues;
- 4) exercise other powers, provided by this Law, other Laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan, acts of the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan and the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Footnote. Article 7 as amended by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 13.06.2018 No. 160-VI (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication).

Article 8. The competence of the authorized body in the field of science

The authorized body in the field of science within its competence shall:

- 1) implement the state youth policy;

- 2) carry out interaction and cooperation with youth organizations on issues of science;
- 3) exercise other powers, provided by this Law, other Laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan, acts of the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan and the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Article 9. The competence of the authorized body in the field of health care service

The authorized body in the field of health care service within its competence shall:

- 1) implement the state youth policy;
- 2) carry out interaction and cooperation with youth organizations on issues of health care service;
- 3) carry out formation, implementation, implementation monitoring and assessment of the results of state social order on health issues and promoting healthy lifestyles among young people;
- 4) exercise other powers, provided by this Law, other Laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan, acts of the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan and the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Footnote. Article 9 as amended by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 13.06.2018 No. 160-VI (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication).

Article 10. The competence of the authorized body on labour

- 1) implement the state youth policy;
- 2) develop the measures on assistance in arrangement of labour and employment of youth;
- 3) ensure functioning of unified information portal “Youth labour exchange”;
- 4) carry out interaction and cooperation with youth organizations on issues of assistance in arrangement of labour and employment of youth;
- 5) exercise other powers, provided by this Law, other Laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan, acts of the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan and the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Article 11. The competence of the authorized body on entrepreneurship

The authorized body on entrepreneurship within its competence shall:

- 1) implement the state youth policy;
- 2) develop the measures on development of entrepreneurial activity, carrying out by youth ;
- 3) carry out interaction and cooperation with youth organizations on issues of development of entrepreneurial activity among youth;

4) exercise other powers, provided by this Law, other Laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan , acts of the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan and the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Article 12. The competence of the authorized body in the field of culture

The authorized body in the field of culture within its competence shall:

- 1) implement the state youth policy;
- 2) implement a set of measures, directed at finding and supporting of talented youth and promising youth creative teams;
- 3) carry out interaction and cooperation with youth organizations on issues of culture;
- 4) carry out formation, implementation, implementation monitoring and assessment of the results of state social order aimed at supporting youth initiatives on cultural issues, strengthening social cohesion and national unity;
- 5) exercise other powers, provided by this Law, other Laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan , acts of the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan and the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Footnote. Article 12 as amended by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 13.06.2018 No. 160-VI (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication).

Article 13. The competence of the authorized body in the field physical culture and sports

The authorized body in the field of physical culture and sports within its competence:

- 1) implement the state youth policy;
- 2) conduct competitions with participation of youth on sports, as well as national, technical and applied kinds, mass sports;
- 3) carry out promotion of knowledge and achievements in the field of physical culture and sports, principles of healthy lifestyle, as well as with participation of sportsmen of high class from the number of youth;
- 4) carry out interaction and cooperation with youth organizations on issues of physical culture and sports;
- 5) carry out formation, implementation, implementation monitoring and assessment of the results of state social order for development of physical education and sports among young people;
- 6) exercise other powers, provided by this Law, other Laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan , acts of the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan and the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Footnote. Article 13 as amended by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 13.06.2018 No. 160-VI (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication).

Article 14. The competence of the authorized body in the scope of religious activity

The authorized body in the scope of religious activity within its competence shall:

- 1) implement the state youth policy;
- 2) carry out explanatory work among youth on strengthening of inter-confessional consent and religious tolerance;
- 3) carry out interaction and cooperation with youth organizations on strengthening of inter-confessional consent and religious tolerance;
- 4) carry out formation, implementation, implementation monitoring and assessment of the results of state social order on issues of strengthening interfaith harmony and religious tolerance among young people;
- 5) exercise other powers, provided by this Law, other Laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan , acts of the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan and the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Footnote. Article 14 as amended by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 13.06.2018 No. 160-VI (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication).

Article 15. The competence of internal affairs bodies

The internal affairs bodies within its competence shall:

- 1) implement the state youth policy;
- 2) take measures on prevention of infractions among youth;
- 3) take measures on military-patriotic education of youth;
- 4) carry out interaction and cooperation with youth organizations on prevention of infractions among youth;
- 5) carry out formation, implementation, implementation monitoring and assessment of the results of state social order on prevention of infractions among young people;
- 6) exercise other powers, provided by this Law, other Laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan , acts of the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan and the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Footnote. Article 15 as amended by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 13.06.2018 No. 160-VI (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication).

Article 16. The competence of the Ministry of Defence

The Ministry of Defence within its competence shall:

- 1) implement the state youth policy;
- 2) take measures on military-patriotic education of youth;
- 3) carry out interaction and cooperation with youth organizations on issues of defence and military service;
- 4) exercise other powers, provided by this Law, other Laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan, acts of the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan and the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Article 17. The competence of the authorized body in the field of environmental protection

The authorized body in the field of environmental protection within its competence shall:

- 1) implement the state youth policy;
- 2) take measures on formation of environmental culture among youth;
- 3) carry out interaction and cooperation with youth organizations on issues of environmental protection;
- 4) carry out formation, implementation, implementation monitoring and assessment of the results of state social order for participation of young people in solving environmental issues;
- 5) exercise other powers, provided by this Law, other Laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan, acts of the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan and the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Footnote. Article 17 as amended by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 13.06.2018 No. 160-VI (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication).

Article 18. The competence of the authorized body in the field of mass media

The authorized body in the field of mass media within its competence shall:

- 1) implement the state youth policy;
- 2) carry out interaction and cooperation with youth organizations on issues of mass media ;
- 3) place the state order on conducting of the state information policy on issues of the state youth policy;
- 4) exercise other powers, provided by this Law, other Laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan, acts of the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan and the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Article 19. The competence of local representative and executive bodies

1. Local representative body of region, city of republican significance and the capital, district (city of regional significance) within its competence shall:

1) hear the reports of the heads of local executive bodies on the progress of implementation of the state youth policy at least once a year;

2) participate in activity of councils in the matter of youth upon akimats;

3) hold public hearings on issues of implementation of the state youth policy at least once a year;

4) exercise other powers on ensuring of rights and legal interests of citizens in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

2. Local executive body of region, city of republican significance and the capital, district (city of regional significance) within its competence shall:

1) implement the state youth policy;

2) ensure conducting of monitoring and estimate of requirements of youth for identifying and solution of actual problems, improvement of the effectiveness of implementation of the state youth policy;

3) ensure implementation of labour policy and arrangement of labour of youth, organize monitoring labour market and the practice of arrangement of labour of young professionals;

4) contribute to the development of voluntary activity of youth and youth self-government ;

5) create youth resource centers, provide and coordinate their activity;

6) ensure conducting of regional forum of youth;

7) take measures on strengthening of Kazakhstan's patriotism, inter-confessional consent and inter-ethnic tolerance;

8) exercise other powers, imposed on local executive bodies by the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan in the interests of local state management.

Chapter 3. MECHANISM OF FORMATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE STATE YOUTH POLICY

Article 20. Republican and regional forum of youth

1. Forum of youth shall be conducted on the republican and regional levels.

2. Republican forum of youth shall ensure:

1) dialog and interaction between the central state bodies and youth, youth organizations;

2) discussion of issues of implementation of the state youth policy.

3. National report “Youth of Kazakhstan” shall be discussed on the republican forum of youth, the reports of the central and local executive bodies, according to the results of which the recommendations on improvement of the state youth policy is introduced to the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan shall be heard.

4. The regional forum of youth shall ensure:

- 1) dialog and interaction between the central state bodies and youth, youth organizations;
- 2) discussion of issues of implementation of the state youth policy;
- 3) making recommendations on improvement of the state youth policy.

Article 21. Consultative and advisory bodies in the scope of the state youth policy

1. The Council on youth policy upon the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan shall be the consultative and advisory body, the powers, organization and procedure of activity of which are determined by the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

2. The councils in the matter of youth upon akimats shall be the consultative and advisory bodies, created in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan and carrying out its activity for the purposes of making recommendations on improvement of the state youth policy and improvement of the effectiveness of interdepartmental interaction.

3. Coordination Council on development of youth organizations shall be the consultative and advisory body upon the authorized body, created in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan and carrying out its activity for the purposes of making recommendations on effective interaction, strengthening of coordination and further improvement of activity of youth organizations.

4. The Councils on interaction and cooperation with nongovernmental organizations, as well as involvement of youth organizations may be created in the central executive bodies.

Article 22. Social infrastructure for youth

1. The state bodies shall provide creation and functioning of social infrastructure for youth in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

2. Youth organizations may obtain the buildings, structures, constructions and other property, necessary for carrying out of their charter purposes for uncompensated use in the manner determined by the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Article 23. Youth resource centers

1. Youth resource centers shall be created for the purposes of rendering of services for support and development of youth and youth organizations.

2. Youth resource centers shall carry out information and methodical, consulting assistance and support for youth initiatives, monitoring and analysis of situation in the youth scope.

3. Services of youth resource centers, financed at the expense of budget funds shall be provided for free.

Article 24. Scientific research center “Youth”

1. Scientific research center “Youth” shall be created by the decision of the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan for the purposes of scientific ensuring of implementation of the state youth policy.

2. Scientific research center “Youth” shall conduct scientific researches and carry out methodological support of implementation of the state youth policy.

3. Financing of activity of scientific research center “Youth” shall be carried out at the expense of budget funds, as well as other sources, not prohibited by the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Article 25. Social services for youth

1. Social services for youth shall carry out its activity for the purposes of creation of conditions for intellectual, spiritual, physical, creative development, professional training and implementation of entrepreneurial potential of youth.

2. The basic directions of activity of social services for youth shall be:

1) carrying out psycho-pedagogical, medical and social, legal assistance and consulting of youth, being in difficult real-life situations, returned from special educational institutions and organizations of education with a special regime of detention, treated from alcoholism, drug addiction, drug abuse, as well as the youth from the number of disabled persons;

2) prevention of illegal actions of youth;

3) organization of leisure of youth on place of residence;

4) support and development of entrepreneurial activity of youth;

5) contribution to development of youth self-government;

6) other socially significant directions, not contradicted to the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Article 26. International cooperation

1. International cooperation of the Republic of Kazakhstan in the scope of the state youth policy shall be carried out on the basis of the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan and international treaties of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

2. The state bodies of the Republic of Kazakhstan shall render assistance to the international cooperation in the scope of the state youth policy by:

1) involvement of youth and youth organizations in the activity of international organizations, member of which shall be the Republic of Kazakhstan;

2) organization of measures, contributing to exchange of experience, development of friendly and business relations;

3) organization of other measures, not contradicting to the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Article 27. Financial support of the state youth policy

Financing of the state youth policy shall be carried out at the expense of budget funds and other resources, not prohibited by the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Chapter 4. PARTICIPATION OF YOUTH IN FORMATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE STATE YOUTH POLICY

Article 28. Youth organizations

1. Youth organization shall be the nongovernmental organization, an activity of which is directed to development, self-realization, protection of rights and legal interests of youth, as well as meeting of social, cultural, education, spiritual and other needs of youth, the members (participants) of which is representatives of youth.

2. Youth organizations shall have a right to participate in:

- 1) discussion of current issues of the state youth policy;
- 2) activity of consultative and advisory bodies in the scope of the state youth policy;
- 3) work of republican and regional forum of youth;
- 4) activity of bodies of youth self-government.

Article 29. Voluntary activity of youth

1. Voluntary activity of youth shall be the voluntary socially useful activity, carrying out without compensation in the interests of physical and legal entities.

2. Voluntary activity of youth may not be directed to support of political parties and religious associations.

Article 30. Youth self-government

1. Youth self-government shall be the form of organization of activity of youth on creation of conditions for personal and professional growth, successful socialization in society , implementation of its intellectual and creative potential.

2. The bodies of youth self-government may be created in the organizations of main secondary, secondary (general secondary, technical and professional education), post-secondary, higher and postgraduate education and labour collectives in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Chapter 5. FINAL PROVISIONS

Article 31. The order of enforcement of this Law

1. This Law shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication.

2. Shall be deemed to have lost force the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 7 July, 2004 “On the state youth policy in the Republic of Kazakhstan” (Bulletin of the Parliament of the Republic of Kazakhstan, 2004, No. 16, Article 95; 2007, No. 10, Article 69; No. 20, Article 152; 2010, No. 22, Article 130; 2011, No. 6, Article 49; No. 11, Article 102; 2013, No. 14, Article 72, 75; 2014, No. 1, Article 4).

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