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UKRAINE

LAW

**ON AMENDING THE LAW OF UKRAINE “ON ELECTIONS OF
PEOPLE’S DEPUTIES OF UKRAINE”
AS TO THE EXCLUSION OF CANDIDATES FOR PEOPLE’S DEPUTIES
OF UKRAINE FROM PARTY’S ELECTORAL
LIST IN A MULTI-MANDATE CONSTITUENCY**

The Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine decrees:

I. To introduce to the Law of Ukraine “On Elections of People’s Deputies of Ukraine” (Bulletin of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, 2012, No. 10-11, p. 73; 2014, No. 18-19, p. 696, No. 22, p. 794) the following amendments:

1. To supplement Article 61 with part nine of the following wording:

“9. In case party takes decision regarding candidate for deputy envisaged by part three of Article 105 of this Law before the Central Election Commission takes a decision on declaring him/her elected, the Central Election Commission shall take a decision on exclusion of the candidate specified in the decision from the party's election list.”

2. To supplement Article 105 with part three of the following wording:

“3. The party that nominated candidates for deputies included into its electoral list and has participated in the distribution of deputy’s mandates, may take a decision on exclusion of the candidate for deputy, which according to the voting results under part ten of Article 98 of this Law is deemed unelected, from its electoral list at any time after the election day before the Central Election Commission takes a decision on declaring him/her elected. Such decision shall be taken pursuant to party’s statutes by congress (meeting, conference) of the party, which may be held only after deputies elected on regular or snap elections swear an oath. The extract from the minutes of congress (meeting, conference) of the party signed by its chairman, as well as decision signed by the head and sealed with party’s seal, shall be submitted to the Central Election Commission not later than on the fifth day from the date of the decision. Based on these documents the Central Election Commission shall take a decision on exclusion of the candidate for deputy specified in the decision from the party’s electoral list not later than on the fifth day from the date of receipt of such documents”.

II. Final and transitional provisions

1. This Law becomes effective from the day following the day of its promulgation.

2. The Central Election Commission shall bring its regulatory acts into compliance with this Law.

3. The scope of this Law covers electoral lists of candidates for people’s deputies of Ukraine from political parties, which had been subjects of electoral process at snap elections of people’s deputies of Ukraine on October 26, 2014.

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