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“ON DEMOCRACY THROUGH ALL-UKRAINIAN REFERENDUM”

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LAW OF UKRAINEOn Democracy through All-Ukrainian Referendum

This Law determines the legal foundations for the expression of people's will through the all-Ukrainian referendum, its arrangements and procedure for holding it.

**CHAPTER I
GENERAL PROVISIONS****Article 1. The concept of the all-Ukrainian referendum**

1. The all-Ukrainian referendum is a form of direct democracy in Ukraine, a way for the exercise of power by the Ukrainian people directly, which consists in the adoption (approval) of decisions by citizens of Ukraine through voting in the manner prescribed by the Constitution of Ukraine and this Law.

Article 2. Laws on the all-Ukrainian referendum

1. The preparations for and holding of the all-Ukrainian referendum are governed by the Constitution of Ukraine, this Law, the laws of Ukraine "On the Central Election Commission", "On the State Voter Register" and other laws of Ukraine, as well as by other legislative acts of Ukraine adopted in accordance therewith.

Article 3. The subject of the all-Ukrainian referendum

1. The subject of the all-Ukrainian referendum may include the issues of:
 - 1) approval of amendments to Chapters I, III, XIII of the Constitution of Ukraine;
 - 2) resolving on the matters of nationwide significance;
 - 3) changes to the territory of Ukraine;
 - 4) a law of Ukraine or certain provisions thereof becoming invalid.
2. Those issues may not be the subject of the all-Ukrainian referendum, which:
 - 1) are contrary to the provisions of the Constitution of Ukraine, the universally recognized principles and norms of international law enshrined primarily by the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms, the Protocols thereto;
 - 2) are designed to eliminate Ukraine's independence, violate sovereignty and territorial integrity of Ukraine, pose a threat to national security of Ukraine, incite interethnic, racial, religious hatred;
 - 3) concern taxes, budget, amnesty;
 - 4) are referred by the Constitution of Ukraine and laws of Ukraine to the competence of law enforcement authorities, prosecutor's offices or judicial authorities.
3. No more than one issue may be put to the all-Ukrainian referendum.

Article 4. Binding nature of the all-Ukrainian referendum outcome

1. The outcome of the popular will expressed at the all-Ukrainian referendum require no approval by any government authority.
2. A decision approved at the all-Ukrainian referendum may be amended solely at the all-Ukrainian referendum held not earlier than three years from the date of the approval thereof.

Article 5. Basic principles of holding the all-Ukrainian referendum

1. The all-Ukrainian referendum shall be held on the basis of the following general principles:

- 1) general voting right;
- 2) equal voting right;
- 3) direct expression of will;
- 4) free participation in the all-Ukrainian referendum;
- 5) voluntary participation in the all-Ukrainian referendum;
- 6) secret ballot;
- 7) personal participation in the vote;
- 8) one-off vote;
- 9) publicity and openness of the all-Ukrainian referendum process.

2. The all-Ukrainian referendum may not be held simultaneously with either regular or snap national elections.

Article 6. General voting right

1. The right to vote in the all-Ukrainian referendum may be exercised by citizens of Ukraine who have reached the age of eighteen on the day of voting and who have not been found incapacitated in the manner prescribed by law. Citizens of Ukraine who have the right to vote shall be voters.

2. The right to vote in the all-Ukrainian referendum is exercised by a citizen of Ukraine on the basis of his inclusion in the voter lists in the all-Ukrainian referendum at an all-Ukrainian referendum precinct.

The voter shall exercise his right to vote by casting a ballot in paper form or by electronic voting in the manner specified by law.

3. The documents that certify the identity and Ukrainian citizenship of a voter in the all-Ukrainian referendum include:

- 1) passport of a citizen of Ukraine (in the form of a passport book or card);
- 2) temporary certificate of Ukrainian citizenship;
- 3) passport of a citizen of Ukraine for travelling abroad;
- 4) diplomatic passport;
- 5) service passport;
- 6) military service record card for enlisted men;
- 7) card (certificate) from a penitentiary institution that must contain the person's surname, name, patronymic, year of birth, citizenship, photograph, the governor's signature and the institution's official seal (for persons detained in penitentiary institutions).

4. The documents referred to in paragraphs 3.1, 3.2 and 3.6 of this Article shall constitute the grounds for issuing a ballot to vote at the regular and special all-Ukrainian referendum precincts.

5. The document referred to in paragraph 3.7 of this Article shall constitute the grounds for issuing a ballot to vote at a special all-Ukrainian referendum precinct that has been set up at the respective penitentiary institution.

6. The documents referred to in paragraphs 3.1–3.5 of this Article shall constitute the grounds for issuing a ballot to vote at the all-Ukrainian referendum overseas precincts, as well as at the special all-Ukrainian referendum precincts that have been set up on the ships sailing under the State Flag of Ukraine, and at Ukraine's polar station.

At the all-Ukrainian referendum overseas precincts set up in the countries to which entry of Ukrainian citizens carrying a passport of a citizen of Ukraine is allowed, the passport of a citizen of Ukraine shall constitute the grounds for issuing a ballot paper.

7. Citizens of Ukraine who have the right to vote may be engaged in the operation of all-Ukrainian referendum commissions as their members, in referendum campaigning, in monitoring the conduct of the all-Ukrainian referendum, and in other activities associated with the preparations for and holding the all-Ukrainian referendum, in the manner prescribed by this and other laws of Ukraine.

8. Any direct or indirect privileges or restrictions on the rights of citizens of Ukraine to participate in the all-Ukrainian referendum on the basis of their race, colour of skin, political, religious or other beliefs, gender, ethnic or social origin, property status, place of residence, language or other grounds shall be prohibited. No restrictions on the engagement of Ukrainian citizens in the all-Ukrainian referendum process, other than those stipulated by the Constitution of Ukraine and this Law, shall be allowed.

9. A citizen of Ukraine who resides or stays outside Ukraine during the preparations for and holding of the all-Ukrainian referendum shall have the right to vote at the all-Ukrainian referendum, the exercise of which shall be ensured by the inclusion of such citizen in the voter list at the respective overseas precinct set up under this Law.

Article 7. Equal voting right

1. Citizens of Ukraine participate in the all-Ukrainian referendum on an equal basis.

2. Each voter in the all-Ukrainian referendum shall have one vote. A voter may cast his vote only at one all-Ukrainian referendum precinct where he is included in the all-Ukrainian referendum voter list.

3. Equality of rights and opportunities for the all-Ukrainian referendum process entities is ensured by:

1) prohibition of interference by government authorities and local self-government authorities in the all-Ukrainian referendum process, other than exercise of the powers stipulated by this Law;

2) unbiased attitude by government authorities, local self-government authorities, their officials and officers to the all-Ukrainian referendum initiative team, other all-Ukrainian referendum process entities;

3) ban on using proceeds, other than those determined by this Law, to finance a campaign for the all-Ukrainian referendum;

4) equal and unbiased attitude of the media to all the all-Ukrainian referendum process entities, objective and balanced coverage of opinions both in support and against the matter put to the all-Ukrainian referendum.

Article 8. Direct expression of will in the all-Ukrainian referendum

1. Citizens of Ukraine participate directly in the all-Ukrainian referendum and in resolving on the matter put to the all-Ukrainian referendum.

Article 9. Free participation in the all-Ukrainian referendum

1. Participation in the all-Ukrainian referendum shall be free for citizens of Ukraine. Citizens of Ukraine shall be provided with conditions for forming their will freely and for expressing it freely when voting in the all-Ukrainian referendum.

2. Use of violence, threats, fraud, bribery, or any other actions that interfere with free formation and expression of a voter's will shall be prohibited.

3. To provide conditions for free expression of will, enlisted men shall be given at least a four hours' leave on the voting date to cast their votes.

Article 10. Voluntary participation in the all-Ukrainian referendum

1. Participation in the all-Ukrainian referendum shall be voluntary for citizens of Ukraine. No one shall be forced to vote or not to vote in the all-Ukrainian referendum, or be engaged in campaigning or in implementing other measures or procedures stipulated herein.

Article 11. Secret ballot

1. Voting in the all-Ukrainian referendum shall be secret. Expression of will by the voters in the all-Ukrainian referendum may not be monitored.

2. Members of the all-Ukrainian referendum commissions and other persons may not take any actions or disclose any information that would allow for any particular voter's expression of will to be discovered.

Article 12. Voting in person

1. Each voter shall vote in person in the all-Ukrainian referendum. Voting on behalf of other persons or assigning the right to vote to any other person by a voter shall be prohibited.

2. Assistance to a voter who, because of disability and/or state of health, is unable to fill out a ballot paper or put it in a ballot box unassisted, in performing these actions in accordance with his expression of will in the instances referred to in this Law shall not be regarded as violation of the requirement for voting in person.

3. For the purpose of creating conditions for voting in person, voters with visual impairments shall be provided with stencils for ballots made in the Braille point system, magnifying devices, and other means.

Article 13. One-off vote

1. Each voter in any particular all-Ukrainian referendum may exercise the right to vote only once and only at one all-Ukrainian referendum precinct by casting a ballot paper or by electronic vote in the manner specified by law.

Article 14. Publicity and openness of the all-Ukrainian referendum process

1. The all-Ukrainian referendum shall be prepared and held publicly and openly.

2. To ensure publicity and openness of the all-Ukrainian referendum process, the Central Election Commission, the all-Ukrainian referendum commissions, according to their powers, shall:

- 1) make public the information about their membership, location, office hours, and about the established all-Ukrainian referendum constituencies and precincts;
- 2) provide citizens with an opportunity to inspect voter lists;
- 3) make public the outcome of the all-Ukrainian referendum;

- 4) provide other information in the instances referred to in this Law.
3. Decisions by government authorities and local self-government authorities concerning the all-Ukrainian referendum shall be communicated to the citizens of Ukraine through the media and official websites of these authorities within the terms established by this Law. Decisions by the Central Election Commission and the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commissions concerning the all-Ukrainian referendum shall be made public on the Central Election Commission's official website.
4. Citizens of Ukraine, political parties and civil society organisations, the referendum initiative team shall be guaranteed the right to discuss freely the feasibility of holding an all-Ukrainian referendum, to campaign on issues put to the all-Ukrainian referendum at assemblies, meetings, rallies, demonstrations, in printed and audiovisual (electronic) media.
5. Government authorities and local self-government authorities, their officers and officials may not prohibit the holding of meetings and rallies to discuss the matter put to the all-Ukrainian referendum, impede prompt notification of citizens of Ukraine of their time and venue, or prevent the relevant events.
6. Media and news agencies shall inform about the course of the all-Ukrainian referendum and the events associated with the all-Ukrainian referendum on the principles of authenticity, completeness and accuracy of information and its unbiased presentation. On the voting date, media representatives and official observers shall be granted, on the terms established by this Law, unimpeded access to all public events associated with the all-Ukrainian referendum, to the meetings of all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commissions and to the premises for voting at all-Ukrainian referendum precincts. The all-Ukrainian referendum commissions, government authorities, local self-government authorities, their officers and officials shall be required to provide, within their powers, the information concerning the preparations for and holding of the all-Ukrainian referendum.
7. Diplomatic and consular institutions of Ukraine, at which the all-Ukrainian referendum overseas precincts have been set up, shall provide for the publication on their official websites and in the respective country's media of information about the voting time and venue, the location of the relevant all-Ukrainian referendum precincts, the procedure and period for contacting the all-Ukrainian referendum precincts, including on the matters of inclusion in the voter list at the all-Ukrainian referendum overseas precinct.

Article 15. The all-Ukrainian referendum calling (announcing) entities

1. An all-Ukrainian referendum to approve amendments to Chapter I "General Principles", Chapter III "Elections. Referendum" and Chapter XIII "Introducing Amendments to the Constitution of Ukraine" of the Constitution of Ukraine shall be called by the President of Ukraine according to the Constitution of Ukraine.
2. An all-Ukrainian referendum on changing the territory shall be called by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine according to the Constitution of Ukraine.
3. An all-Ukrainian referendum at popular initiative shall be announced by the President of Ukraine according to the Constitution of Ukraine.

Article 16. The all-Ukrainian referendum at popular initiative

1. The President of Ukraine shall announce the all-Ukrainian referendum at popular initiative, if it has been initiated in compliance with the provisions of the Constitution of Ukraine on organising and holding an all-Ukrainian referendum at popular initiative.
2. An all-Ukrainian referendum at popular initiative shall be announced at the request of at least three million citizens of Ukraine having the right to vote, provided that signatures in favour of calling the all-Ukrainian referendum have been collected in at least two-thirds of the oblasts, and with at least 100,000 signatures in each oblast.

3. The all-Ukrainian referendum at popular initiative shall be announced by a decree of the President of Ukraine.

Article 17. The all-Ukrainian referendum on amendments to Chapters I, III, XIII of the Constitution of Ukraine

1. A draft law on amendments to Chapters I, III, XIII of the Constitution of Ukraine shall be adopted in the manner prescribed by the Constitution of Ukraine and approved at the all-Ukrainian referendum.

2. The all-Ukrainian referendum on amendments to Chapters I, III, XIII of the Constitution of Ukraine shall be called by the decree of the President of Ukraine.

Article 18. The all-Ukrainian referendum on changing the territory of Ukraine

1. The all-Ukrainian referendum on changing the territory of Ukraine is a form in which the citizens of Ukraine having the right to vote adopt a decision to approve the law, adopted by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, on ratification of an international treaty on changing the territory of Ukraine.

2. The all-Ukrainian referendum on changing the territory of Ukraine shall be called by a resolution of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine.

Article 19. Format of questions in the all-Ukrainian referendum

1. A question in the all-Ukrainian referendum is a text that sets out the proposal of the all-Ukrainian referendum in the format of an interrogative sentence that expects clear “yes” or “no” answer from the voter.

2. The question of the all-Ukrainian referendum must be worded in a clear and understandable manner that precludes different interpretations.

3. A relevant (draft) law shall constitute an integral part of the all-Ukrainian referendum question on approving the law on amendments to Chapters I, III, XIII of the Constitution of Ukraine, law on ratification of the international treaty on changing the territory of Ukraine under the Constitution of Ukraine.

4. The matter of nationwide significance shall mean the matter the outcome of which affects the destiny of the Ukrainian people and is of a public interest.

Article 20. Restrictions on calling (announcing) the all-Ukrainian referendum

1. The all-Ukrainian referendum may not be called (announced) in a situation of martial law or state of emergency throughout the territory of Ukraine or in any part thereof.

2. In the event that the martial law or state of emergency is introduced after calling (announcing) the all-Ukrainian referendum, the all-Ukrainian referendum calling (announcing) entity shall, on or before the third day after the introduction of the martial law or state of emergency, issue an act suspending the all-Ukrainian referendum process until the martial law or state of emergency has been lifted.

Article 21. Monitoring the all-Ukrainian referendum question for compliance with the Constitution of Ukraine

1. The question put to the all-Ukrainian referendum at popular initiative shall be monitored for compliance with the Constitution of Ukraine (constitutionality) by the Constitutional Court of Ukraine upon appeal from the President of Ukraine or at least forty-five people’s deputies of Ukraine according to Article 151.2 of the Constitution of Ukraine.

2. The question put to the all-Ukrainian referendum (other than the all-Ukrainian referendum at popular initiative) shall be monitored for compliance with the Constitution of Ukraine (constitutionality) by the Constitutional Court of Ukraine upon appeal from the entity entitled to constitutional submission concerning the compliance of the resolution of the

Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine or decree of the President of Ukraine announcing (calling) the all-Ukrainian referendum with the Constitution of Ukraine (constitutionality).

3. In the event that constitutional proceedings have been initiated following a constitutional appeal concerning compliance with the Constitution of Ukraine (constitutionality) of the question put to the all-Ukrainian referendum at popular initiative, the procedures associated with announcing the all-Ukrainian referendum at popular initiative shall be deemed as suspended until the Constitutional Court of Ukraine passes the relevant act in the case.

In the event that constitutional proceedings have been initiated following a constitutional submission concerning compliance with the Constitution of Ukraine (constitutionality) of the resolution of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine or decree of the President of Ukraine announcing (calling) the all-Ukrainian referendum, the all-Ukrainian referendum process shall be deemed as suspended until the Constitutional Court of Ukraine passes the relevant act in the case.

4. The Constitutional Court of Ukraine shall consider the matter of compliance with the Constitution of Ukraine (constitutionality) of the question put to the all-Ukrainian referendum at popular initiative or of the resolution of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, or of the decree of the President of Ukraine announcing (calling) the all-Ukrainian referendum within thirty days from receipt by the Constitutional Court of Ukraine of the respective appeal or constitutional submission.

5. The all-Ukrainian referendum may not be announced if, according to the findings of the Constitutional Court of Ukraine, all the questions to be put to the all-Ukrainian referendum at popular initiative fail to comply with the Constitution of Ukraine (are unconstitutional).

Article 22. The all-Ukrainian referendum process

1. The all-Ukrainian referendum process shall commence on the following day after the promulgation of the decree of the President of Ukraine or of the resolution of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, respectively.

2. The all-Ukrainian referendum process shall terminate fifteen days after the official announcement made by the Central Election Commission of the outcome of the all-Ukrainian referendum.

3. The all-Ukrainian referendum process shall be suspended in the event that the Constitutional Court of Ukraine finds all the questions of the all-Ukrainian referendum, or the resolution of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, or the decree of the President of Ukraine announcing (calling) the all-Ukrainian referendum as non-compliant with the Constitution of Ukraine (unconstitutional).

Article 23. Electronic format of procedures when organising and holding the all-Ukrainian referendum

1. Support for the initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum may be implemented by voters through an automated information and analysis system.

2. The procedure for setting up and operating the automated information and analysis system shall be approved by the Central Election Commission.

Article 24. The all-Ukrainian referendum process entities

1. The all-Ukrainian referendum process entities include:

- 1) voters (participants of the all-Ukrainian referendum);
- 2) the Central Election Commission;
- 3) the all-Ukrainian referendum commissions, set up under this Law and the Law of Ukraine "On the Central Election Commission";
- 4) the all-Ukrainian referendum initiative team, set up under this Law;

- 5) a political party registered with the Central Election Commission as a proponent or opponent of the question put to the all-Ukrainian referendum;
- 6) a civil society organisation registered with the Central Election Commission as a proponent or opponent of the question put to the all-Ukrainian referendum;
- 7) official observers from the all-Ukrainian referendum initiative team, political parties, civil society organisations registered as proponents or opponents of the question put to the all-Ukrainian referendum, as well as from those civil society organisations, registered in compliance with this Law, whose statutory activities include the matters related to the election and all-Ukrainian referendum process or to the support for electoral rights of Ukrainian citizens;
- 8) official observers (international observers) from foreign states, international organisations, including international non-governmental organisations registered outside Ukraine, at the all-Ukrainian referendum, accredited by the Central Election Commission.

Article 25. The timeline calculation procedure

1. The time periods referred to in this Law shall be calculated in calendar days or, in certain cases, the time period shall be calculated in hours.
2. The first day of a period that is to commence in connection with the occurrence of a certain event under this Law shall be the day following the date of such event.
3. The last day of a period that is to end in connection with the occurrence of a certain event under this Law shall be the day preceding the date of such event.

CHAPTER II

CALLING (ANNOUNCING) THE ALL-UKRAINIAN REFERENDUM

Article 26. The procedure for calling the all-Ukrainian referendum on amendments to the Constitution of Ukraine

1. A law on amendments to Chapters I, III, XIII of the Constitution of Ukraine, which is adopted by at least two-thirds of the constitutional composition of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine and signed by the Chairman of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, shall be submitted immediately to the President of Ukraine.
2. The President of Ukraine, on or before the fifteenth day after receiving the law on amendments to Chapters I, III, XIII of the Constitution of Ukraine from the Chairman of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, shall issue a decree calling the all-Ukrainian referendum on amendments to the Constitution of Ukraine. The text of the law to be approved at the all-Ukrainian referendum on amendments to Chapters I, III, XIII of the Constitution of Ukraine shall be attached to the decree of the President of Ukraine calling the all-Ukrainian referendum on amendments to the Constitution of Ukraine.
3. The decree of the President of Ukraine calling the all-Ukrainian referendum on amendments to the Constitution of Ukraine shall set the date for its holding, to fall on the last Sunday of the sixty-day period from the promulgation of the decree.

Article 27. The procedure for calling the all-Ukrainian referendum on changing the territory of Ukraine

1. A law that ratifies an international treaty on changes to the territory of Ukraine adopted by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine and signed by the Chairman of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine shall be submitted immediately to the President of Ukraine.
2. Within fifteen days after receiving the law that ratifies an international treaty on

changes to the territory of Ukraine, the President of Ukraine shall sign this law and submit it to the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine for calling the all-Ukrainian referendum on the issues specified in Article 73 of the Constitution of Ukraine, or shall return the law with his/her grounded and formulated proposals to the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine for revision.

3. In case where during the revision the law that ratifies an international treaty on changes to the territory of Ukraine, returned by the President of Ukraine for revision, is re-adopted by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine by at least two thirds of its constitutional composition, the President of Ukraine shall, within ten days, sign it and submit it to the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine for calling the all-Ukrainian referendum on issues specified in Article 73 of the Constitution of Ukraine.

4. In the event the law that ratifies an international treaty on changes to the territory of Ukraine is signed by the President of Ukraine, the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine shall concurrently adopt a resolution calling the all-Ukrainian referendum on changes to the territory of Ukraine.

5. The resolution of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine calling the all-Ukrainian referendum on changes to the territory of Ukraine shall specify the date of the all-Ukrainian referendum on changes to the territory of Ukraine, which shall be set on the last Sunday of the sixty-day period from the adoption by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine of the resolution to call such referendum, and the worded question to be put to the all-Ukrainian referendum. The official text of the adopted law that ratifies an international treaty on changes to the territory of Ukraine and that of the international treaty on changes to the territory of Ukraine shall be attached to the resolution of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine.

Article 28. The procedure for announcing the all-Ukrainian referendum at popular initiative

1. Unless otherwise stipulated by Article 22.3 of this Law, the President of Ukraine, on or before the fifteenth day from the receipt of the Central Election Commission's decision about the overall results of collecting signatures of citizens of Ukraine under the initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum, shall issue a decree announcing the all-Ukrainian referendum, indicating the date of its holding and the worded question.

2. In the event that constitutional proceedings have been initiated following a constitutional appeal concerning compliance with the Constitution of Ukraine (constitutionality) of the question put to the all-Ukrainian referendum at popular initiative, the term for announcing the all-Ukrainian referendum, as referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article, shall be suspended until the Constitutional Court of Ukraine passes the relevant act in the case.

3. The decree of the President of Ukraine announcing the all-Ukrainian referendum at popular initiative shall set the date for its holding, to fall on the last Sunday of the sixty-day period from the promulgation of the decree.

Article 29. General procedure for implementing the popular initiative

1. A popular initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum shall be implemented by collecting signatures from at least three million citizens of Ukraine having the right to vote, provided that signatures in favour of calling the all-Ukrainian referendum have been collected in at least two-thirds of the oblasts, and with at least 100,000 signatures in each oblast.

2. Signatures under the initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum shall be collected by the all-Ukrainian referendum initiative team that has been set up and operates under this Law.

A voter may support the initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum by filing a relevant statement with the regional or territorial representative office of the Central Election Commission, as well as electronically, through the automated information and analysis system.

A statement in the electronic format shall be generated using a qualified electronic signature.

3. Signatures under the initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum on a certain question shall be collected within sixty days from the date of a registration certificate issued to the all-Ukrainian referendum initiative team that proposes putting the respective question to the all-Ukrainian referendum.

Article 30. The procedure for setting up the all-Ukrainian referendum initiative team

1. The all-Ukrainian referendum initiative team (the “initiative team”) shall be set up at a meeting of citizens of Ukraine attended by at least three hundred voters.

2. Organisers of the meeting may include citizens of Ukraine (voters) only.

3. Meeting of citizens to set up the initiative team may not be held at government authorities’ or local self-government authorities’ offices.

4. At least five days before the meeting of citizens of Ukraine on holding the all-Ukrainian referendum is convened, its organisers must notify the Central Election Commission in writing of the date, time, venue, and purpose of the meeting.

5. The Central Election Commission shall dispatch its representative(s) to the meeting of citizens of Ukraine on holding the all-Ukrainian referendum in order to confirm the fact of the meeting held.

6. Before the meeting of citizens of Ukraine on holding the all-Ukrainian referendum opens, its attendees shall be registered and their list shall be made, indicating surnames, names, patronymics, dates of birth, voting addresses, numbers and series of passports issued as passport books (numbers of passports issued as cards), as well as containing the information about the date of issue and issuing authority for the Ukrainian passport held by each attendee. Each attendee at the meeting of citizens of Ukraine on holding the all-Ukrainian referendum shall put his signature next to his surname, thereby certifying his attendance at the meeting.

7. The meeting of citizens of Ukraine on holding the all-Ukrainian referendum shall elect the chairman and secretary of the meeting, its counting commission, approve the agenda of the meeting to include the matter of holding the all-Ukrainian referendum, word the question to be put to the all-Ukrainian referendum, adopt the rationale for the position concerning the question in the all-Ukrainian referendum, determine the personal membership of the initiative team.

The rationale for the position concerning the question in the all-Ukrainian referendum at the popular initiative shall include: definition and analysis of the problem proposed to be resolved by the decision of the Ukrainian people at the all-Ukrainian referendum at the popular initiative on approval (adoption, support) or refusal to approve (adopt, support) a relevant draft law (law, issue) set to the referendum; definition of the objectives of such a decision; definition of the expected social and economic, legal and other consequences of such a decision; rationale for the possibility of achieving the set objectives. The calls to vote “for” or “against” the question in the all-Ukrainian referendum shall not be allowed in the rationale for the position concerning the question in the all-Ukrainian referendum.

8. In the event that the majority of the registered attendees at the meeting on holding the all-Ukrainian referendum vote in favour of holding the all-Ukrainian referendum, approving the wording of the question and the text of a draft law to be put to it, along with the rationale for the position concerning the question in the all-Ukrainian referendum, an initiative team shall be elected from among the attendees of the meeting to be charged with organising the collection of signatures of citizens of Ukraine in support of the initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum, as well as with performing other functions stipulated by this Law.

The text of the draft law abrogating the law in full or in part, which is proposed to be put to the all-Ukrainian referendum, may not be changed after its approval by the majority of the registered attendees at the meeting on holding the all-Ukrainian referendum.

9. The initiative team shall comprise at least sixty citizens of Ukraine who, on the day of the formation thereof, have the right to vote. The meeting shall set up only one initiative team. The list of the initiative team members shall be drawn up at the meeting, indicating their surnames, names, patronymics, dates of birth, voting addresses, and information about identity documents and Ukrainian citizenship of each initiative team member.

10. The meeting of the citizens shall also elect a person who will represent the interests of the initiative team (the “initiative team’s authorised representative”), of which a statement shall be made and signed by the chairman and secretary of the meeting.

The statement of appointment of the initiative team’s authorised representative shall indicate the following:

- 1) surname, name, patronymic;
- 2) citizenship;
- 3) day, month and year of birth;
- 4) place of employment and occupied position (job);
- 5) voting address and contact telephone number.

The person’s consent to being designated the initiative team’s authorised representative shall be attached to the statement.

Persons referred to in Articles 41.3.4–6 of this Law may not be appointed the initiative team’s authorised representative.

11. Following the meeting of the citizens of Ukraine (the “meeting”), minutes shall be drawn up, indicating the date, venue, number of attendees, the information about the elected chairman and secretary of the meeting, discussion of the items on the agenda, the clearly worded question that is proposed to be put to the all-Ukrainian referendum, the results of voting on the agenda items, the personal membership of the initiative team (if any), and the information about the initiative team’s authorised representative in accordance with paragraph 10 of this Article. The minutes shall be signed by the chairman and secretary of the meeting. The text of the draft law abrogating the law in full or in part, which is proposed to be put to the all-Ukrainian referendum, the rationale for the position concerning the question in the all-Ukrainian referendum, the list of the meeting attendees, and the list of the initiative team members shall be attached to the minutes of the meeting and constitute integral parts thereof.

12. A written statement of consent to being an initiative team member from each person included in the initiative team shall be attached to these documents.

13. The written statement of consent to being an initiative team member must contain the surname, name, patronymics, date of birth of such person, the information about the voting address and actual place of residence, the information about identity documents and citizenship, consent to the respective engagement, the date of the statement and signature.

14. Within seven days from the date of the meeting, the initiative team’s authorised representative shall deliver to the Central Election Commission the documents of the meeting, signed by the chairman and secretary of the meeting, namely:

- 1) the minutes of the meeting (with attachments);
- 2) the written statements of consent to being an initiative team member from each such member;
- 3) the statement of appointment of the initiative team’s authorised representative;

- 4) the written statement from a person about being appointed the initiative team's authorised representative.

The list of the meeting attendees and the list of the initiative team members shall be submitted to the Central Election Commission electronically in an open data format, in compliance with the laws on protection of personal data, by forwarding them to the official email address of the Central Election Commission by the date specified in paragraph 14 of this Article. The text of the initiative team's rationale for the position concerning the question in the all-Ukrainian referendum shall be made public on the official website of the Central Election Commission.

15. The Central Election Commission shall issue to the initiative team's authorised representative submitting the documents referred to in paragraph fourteen of this Article a certificate of acceptance thereof. The certificate must contain the list of accepted documents, date, month, year and the time of their acceptance, position and surname of the accepting person.

16. The initiative team shall organise its work in the format of meetings. Meetings of the initiative team shall be competent if attended by at least two-thirds of its members. The initiative team shall adopt its decisions by a majority vote of the entire membership of the initiative team.

Article 31. Registration of the all-Ukrainian referendum initiative team

1. Within five days, the Central Election Commission shall review the process of setting up the initiative team for compliance with this Law, as well as the documents referred to in Article 30.14 of this Law for their conformity to the provisions of this Law and the Constitution of Ukraine, and shall adopt a decision about registration of the initiative team or denying registration of the initiative team, providing its reasons for such decision. In the event that the Central Election Commission identifies indications of non-compliance with this Law in the process of setting up the initiative team or non-conformity to the provisions of this Law in the provided documents, they shall not be reviewed for their conformity to the Constitution of Ukraine.

In the event that indications of non-conformity to the Constitution of Ukraine have been identified in the question or of the text of a draft law proposed to be put to the all-Ukrainian referendum, the Central Election Commission shall adopt a resolution to suspend the registration procedure and shall petition the President of Ukraine for constitutional submission to be forwarded to the Constitutional Court of Ukraine concerning constitutionality of the question or of the text of the draft law proposed to be put to the all-Ukrainian referendum.

If the President of Ukraine fails to submit the relevant appeal to the Constitutional Court of Ukraine and/or in the event of failure to initiate constitutional proceedings in respect of it within forty days, the Central Election Commission shall resume the registration procedure and, within five days, adopt one of the decisions referred to in the first indent of this paragraph.

2. The initiative team may be denied registration on the grounds of:
 - 1) non-compliance with this Law in the process of setting it up and/or non-conformity with the provisions of this Law of the question or of the text of the draft law proposed to be put to the all-Ukrainian referendum;
 - 2) the opinion by the Constitutional Court of Ukraine, in which non-conformity to the Constitution of Ukraine of the question or of the text of the draft law proposed to be put to the all-Ukrainian referendum is established.
3. In the event that the Central Election Commission adopts a decision to deny registration of the initiative team, the initiative team's authorised representative shall be issued a respective decision within three days from its adoption.

4. The Central Election Commission's denial of the initiative team's registration or failure by it to adopt a decision about the initiative team's registration may be appealed by the initiative team in the manner prescribed by the Code of Administrative Procedure of Ukraine.
5. A decision by the Central Election Commission to register the initiative team must contain the worded question and the text of the draft law abrogating the law in full or in part, which are proposed to be put to the all-Ukrainian referendum.
6. Not later than on the following day after the adoption of the decision to register the initiative team, the Central Election Commission shall issue to the initiative team's authorised representative a registration certificate and identity cards for the initiative team members, a sample signature sheet, and a sample report of the results of collecting signatures in support of the initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum, according to the forms established by the Central Election Commission.
7. The certificate of the initiative team's registration shall indicate the question and the text of the draft law abrogating the law in full or in part, which are proposed to be put to the all-Ukrainian referendum, and the total period of collecting signatures, which may not exceed sixty days from the issue of the certificate of the initiative team's registration.
8. The information about the initiative team's registration, the wording of the proposed question to be put to the all-Ukrainian referendum and the text of the draft law abrogating the law in full or in part, as well as about the beginning and the period of collecting citizens' signatures in support of this initiative shall be published within three days in the "Holos Ukrainy" newspaper and made public on the official website of the Central Election Commission. The text of the initiative team's rationale for the position concerning the question in the all-Ukrainian referendum shall be made public on the official website of the Central Election Commission.
9. No fees for registration of the initiative team shall be charged.
10. Government authorities, local self-government authorities, as well as enterprises, institutions, organisations held in the state and communal ownership shall be prohibited from paying the expenses associated with setting up the initiative team or its operation.
11. The initiative team shall, in the manner prescribed by Article 69 of this Law, establish the initiative team fund to organise collection of signatures from citizens of Ukraine.
12. The Central Election Commission shall deny registration to other initiative teams authorised to collect voters' signatures in support of the initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum on the matters that coincide, either in content or substance, with the issue put to the all-Ukrainian referendum by the meeting of citizens for holding the all-Ukrainian referendum, and where the initiative team elected by them has already been registered by the Central Election Commission.

Article 32. The procedure for collecting signatures

1. Upon being issued the registration certificate, the initiative team shall have the right to campaign freely for the initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum and to collect voters' signatures in support of the initiative.
2. A voter can exercise his right to support the initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum by signing a signature sheet in paper form, filing a statement with the regional or territorial representative office of the Central Election Commission (the "signature in the paper statement format"), or electronically (the "signature in the electronic statement format") through the automated information and analysis system in the manner prescribed by Central Election Commission.
3. The initiative team shall be entitled to produce signature sheets in the form established

by the Central Election Commission, using proceeds from the initiative team fund that has been set up under Article 69 of this Law.

Any costs associated with organising the collection of citizens' signatures to support the initiative for holding the all-Ukrainian referendum shall be financed from the initiative team fund in accordance with this Law.

A signature sheet in support of holding the all-Ukrainian referendum must contain:

- 1) the "all-Ukrainian referendum" designation;
- 2) the initiative team's registration number and date;
- 3) the wording of the question proposed to be put to the all-Ukrainian referendum;
- 4) the information about the collector of voters' signatures (surname, name, patronymic, date, month, year of birth, citizenship, place of residence, voting address, telephone number (if any));
- 5) full name of the inhabited locality (village, settlement, city) where the signatures are collected, as well as of the district (city), oblast, Autonomous Republic of Crimea, of which this inhabited locality is a part.

The text of the draft law abrogating the law in full or in part in the all-Ukrainian referendum must at all times be attached to the signature sheet.

4. The signature sheet must contain columns that indicate:

- 1) the voter's serial number in the signature sheet;
- 2) the voter's surname, name (all given names), patronymic (if any) according to the document referred to in paragraph 4.6;
- 3) the voter's day, month and year of birth;
- 4) the voter's citizenship;
- 5) the voter's voting address;
- 6) the name, number and series of the document that is the evidence of the voter's identity and citizenship, as stipulated in Article 6.3 of this Law;
- 7) the date of signature by the voter;
- 8) the voter's personal signature.

5. Signatures by voters from only one district or city of oblast significance shall be collected in paper form on a single signature sheet.

6. Only the initiative team members shall be allowed to collect voters' signatures in support of the all-Ukrainian referendum.

7. A voter who supports the initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum shall indicate in the signature sheet, in the Ukrainian language and in his own hand, his surname, name, patronymic, date of birth, number and series of the document that is the evidence of the voter's identity and Ukrainian citizenship, his voting address, and shall put his signature and date of signing.

8. In the event that the voter is unable to enter in his own hand the above information in the signature sheet in paper form because of physical disabilities, this may be done at his request by the signature collector, of which a note shall be made by this collector next to such a signature.

9. The initiative team member who collected signatures shall indicate in figures and in words the number of signatures by citizens of Ukraine collected in such signature sheet. Each signature sheet in paper form shall be certified by the signature of the initiative team member

who collected signatures of the voters in support of the initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum. When certifying the signature sheet, the initiative team member who collected signatures shall indicate his surname, name, patronymic, date of birth, voting address, number, series and date of issue of the passport of the citizen of Ukraine, and shall put his signature and date of signing.

10. The initiative team member who collected signatures shall compile electronically the voters' data collected on the signature sheets in support of the all-Ukrainian referendum (the "electronic signature data") in a format approved by the Central Election Commission. The authenticity of the electronically compiled data shall be certified by the initiative team member who collected signatures by affixing his own qualified electronic signature.

11. Signatures in support of the initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum may be collected at the places of study, residence or other places where collection of signatures is not prohibited by law.

12. The initiative team members shall not be allowed to collect signatures at the offices of government authorities, authorities of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea, local self-government authorities, and at military units.

In the process of collecting signatures in support of the initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum, citizens may not be forced either to put or not to put their signatures or be remunerated for that in any form.

Collecting signatures in support of the initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum shall not be allowed at the places where wages, pensions, benefits, scholarships, other welfare payments are paid or charitable aid is provided.

13. An electronic statement of support for the initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum shall be registered by means of the automated information and analysis system. The electronic form of the statement of support for the initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum shall be approved by the Central Election Commission concurrently with the registration of the initiative team.

14. When the electronic form is filled out by the voter, the information given in the statement shall be verified through the "State Voter Register" automated information and analysis system for its completeness and conformity with the voter's identification data contained in the qualified public key certificate on which the qualified electronic signature is based.

15. An electronic statement of support for the initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum shall be registered by means of the automated information and analysis system on the Central Election Commission's official website.

16. The voter may apply in person to the regional or territorial representative office of the Central Election Commission with a written statement of support for the initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum, for the purpose of entry thereof in the automated information and analysis system. The form of the statement of support for the initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum shall be approved by the Central Election Commission.

17. When filing a statement with the regional or territorial representative office of the Central Election Commission, the voter shall produce the document that is the evidence of his identity and citizenship of Ukraine — the passport of the citizen of Ukraine or a temporary certificate of Ukrainian citizenship (where Ukrainian citizenship has been recently granted to this person).

18. A voter who supports the initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum shall be entitled to put a signature only once in support of a single initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum. Where multiple signatures from the same person have been identified, the respective signatures shall be counted as one signature.

The information about the number of voters in each oblast of Ukraine, who have supported the initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum either electronically or by filing a written statement with a regional or territorial representative office of the Central Election Commission, shall be made public in the automated information and analysis system on the Central Election Commission's official website on a daily basis.

Article 33. Campaigning during collection of signatures in support of the initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum

1. Campaigning during collection of signatures means any activities intended to encourage voters either to support or not to support the initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum (the "initiative campaigning").

2. Political parties and civil society organisations, subject to the setting up of the initiative campaigning fund by them, and the initiative team shall be entitled to conduct the initiative campaigning.

The initiative campaigning may only be conducted with proceeds from the initiative team fund, the political party's or the civil society organisation's initiative campaigning fund, as well as in compliance with Articles 93–98 of this Law.

Citizens of Ukraine — the voters — shall be entitled, without expending their own resources, to conduct or participate in campaigning personally in support of, or against the initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum.

3. The account of the initiative campaigning fund may be opened by a political party or a civil society organisation following the date when the notice of the initiative team registration was made public on the Central Election Commission's official website and until the period for collection of citizens' signatures in support of the initiative expires.

4. Resources of the political party's or the civil society organisation's initiative campaigning fund shall be formed in the manner prescribed by Article 72 of this Law.

5. The political party or the civil society organisation shall appoint one administrator of its initiative campaigning fund account, who shall have the sole right to dispose of proceeds in this fund account. Not later than the day after the initiative campaigning fund account has been opened, the political party or the civil society organisation shall notify the Central Election Commission and the National Agency on Corruption Prevention About of the appointment of the account administrator, indicating his surname, name, patronymic, date of birth, place of residence or stay, and providing the information about the documents that evidence his identity and citizenship of Ukraine. This notice from the political party or the civil society organisation shall be signed by the head of such political party or civil society organisation. A handwritten statement of consent by a citizen of Ukraine to being appointed the account administrator shall be attached to the notice.

6. The accumulating account administrator of the political party's initiative campaigning fund shall be required to keep a record of the fund's revenues and expenditures.

The administrator of the initiative campaigning fund accounts shall ensure observance of financial discipline and intended use of the fund's resources.

7. Operation of the initiative campaigning funds shall be monitored by the Central Election Commission, the National Agency on Corruption Prevention, and the bank where the relevant fund account is opened, according to the procedure established by the Central Election Commission jointly with the National Bank of Ukraine with the consent of the National Agency on Corruption Prevention. The bank where the relevant fund account is opened shall provide the Central Election Commission and the National Agency on Corruption Prevention on a weekly (daily) basis or at their request with the information about the amount and sources of contributions to the fund accounts, the cash flow and balance in the accounts.

The National Agency on Corruption Prevention shall monitor the timeliness of reports of the funds' revenues and expenditures, the completeness of such reports and the authenticity of information included therein.

8. The accumulating account administrator of the initiative campaigning fund shall, within ten days from the expiry of the period for collection of signatures, submit (both in paper form and electronically) to the Central Election Commission and the National Agency on Corruption Prevention a financial statement of the fund's revenues and expenditures, which shall be made public on the official websites of the Central Election Commission and the National Agency on Corruption Prevention not later than the day following the receipt thereof.

The financial statements referred to in this paragraph must disclose the individual's surname, name, patronymic and place of residence (oblast, district, inhabited locality). Other restricted information about the individual may not be disclosed.

9. The review of the financial statements referred to in paragraph 7 of this Article shall be performed by the Central Election Commission and the National Agency on Corruption Prevention, and shall include determination of compliance of the statement data with this Law, timeliness of submitting the statements and conformity of the statement data with the information received from the banks where the fund accounts are opened. Within fifteen days from the expiry of the period for collection of signatures, the Central Election Commission and the National Agency on Corruption Prevention shall make public on their official websites the findings of the review of the financial statements referred to in paragraph 8 of this Article. In the event that indications of non-compliance with this Law have been identified following the review of the financial statements, the Central Election Commission and the National Agency on Corruption Prevention shall notify thereof the relevant law enforcement authorities for the purpose of conducting an inspection and responding in accordance with the law.

10. The financial statements referred to in paragraph 8 of this Article must reflect the information about all the revenues in the initiative campaigning fund account, expenditures and balances in the respective accounts, including the information on the date of each contribution made to the fund, its amount, the contributor to the fund's respective account (indicating the information about the contributor to the fund, as prescribed by the Law of Ukraine "On Political Parties in Ukraine" in respect of the contributors in support of a political party), the name of the political party (where the political party is the contributor), the purpose, date and amount of each payment from the fund's relevant account, the recipient of each payment (including the information about the payment recipient, as prescribed by the Law of Ukraine "On Political Parties in Ukraine").

11. The format of the financial statements referred to in paragraph 8 of this Article, and the procedure for the review thereof shall be established by the Central Election Commission with the consent of the National Agency on Corruption Prevention.

Article 34. Delivery by the initiative team of signature sheets in paper form to the Central Election Commission

1. Upon completing the collection of signatures, the initiative team shall count the total number of the voters' signatures in favour of calling the referendum, collected in support of the initiated question in the all-Ukrainian referendum under Article 72.2 of the Constitution of Ukraine.

The initiative team shall draw up a report of the results of collecting the voters' signatures according to the form referred to in paragraph 2 of this Article, which shall be signed by all the initiative team members.

2. The form of the report referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article shall be approved by the Central Election Commission concurrently with the approval of the signature sheet form.

3. The signature sheets numbered and separately bound as folders for each oblast under Article 72.2 of the Constitution of Ukraine, the electronic signature data prepared under Article

32.10 of this Law, the report of the results of collecting the voters' signatures in favour of the initiative to call the all-Ukrainian referendum shall be delivered by the initiative team's authorised representative to the Central Election Commission not later than 18.00 of the day when the period expires for collecting signatures in support of the initiative for holding the all-Ukrainian referendum.

4. Documents shall be accepted by the Central Election Commission by attesting with its seal each folder containing signature sheets, and by verifying the number of the submitted signature sheets against the number specified in the report of the results of collecting the signatures in support of the initiative to call the all-Ukrainian referendum.

5. When accepting the signature sheets, the Central Election Commission shall verify the number of the submitted signature sheets against the number specified in the report of the results of collecting the voters' signatures, and shall draw up the statement of the signature sheet acceptance, indicating the number of the accepted signature sheets and the declared number of the voters' signatures, as well as the date and time of the acceptance and the surname of the accepting person. The statement shall be drawn up in two copies and signed by a duly authorised member of the Central Election Commission and by the person delivering the signature sheets. The first copy of the statement shall be issued to the person delivering the signature sheets and the second copy shall be kept at the Central Election Commission.

6. The Central Election Commission may not accept signature sheets after the expiry of the period referred to in paragraph 3 of this Article.

Article 35. Counting of signatures by the Central Election Commission

1. Upon receipt of the documents referred to in Article 34.3 of this Law, the Central Election Commission, within ten days from the expiry of the statutory period for collecting signatures, shall verify compliance with the requirements imposed by Article 32 of this Law.

The Central Election Commission shall verify and count signatures in support of the initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum by using the automated information and analysis system. The procedure for verification is determined by the Central Election Commission.

2. In the event that the Central Election Commission requests the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine that the information about Ukrainian citizens included in the signature sheets be verified, the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine shall be required to perform the respective verification and report of its findings within the term established by the Central Election Commission.

3. When establishing, on the basis of signature sheets, the number of Ukrainian citizens who have supported the initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum, signatures made by Ukrainian citizens shall be excluded:

- 1) where all or any information about the Ukrainian citizen whose signature supports the initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum, as stipulated in the signature sheet form, is missing in the signature sheet;
- 2) where entries and signatures have been made by another person, instead of the Ukrainian citizen, on the grounds other than referred to in this Law;
- 3) where put by a person who, as of the date of his signature, had no right to vote. Where multiple signatures from the same voter have been identified, only one signature shall be counted.

4. When establishing, on the basis of signature sheets, the number of Ukrainian citizens who have supported the initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum, signature sheets shall be excluded:

- 1) where signatures of Ukrainian citizens have been collected by a person who is not a member of the relevant initiative team;

- 2) where the information about the collector of Ukrainian citizens' signatures is false;
- 3) where the information about the collector of Ukrainian citizens' signatures is missing, or which contain the signature of another person instead of the signature of the collector of Ukrainian citizens' signatures;
- 4) where Ukrainian citizens' signatures have been collected at the offices of government authorities, local self-government authorities or other locations referred to in Article 32.12 hereof;
- 5) if made in an unidentified form.

Ukrainian citizens' signatures in the electronic statement format and signatures in the paper statement format shall be rejected if put by the persons who, as of the date of their signatures, had no right to vote.

Following the verification of the signatures contained in the signature sheets, signatures in the electronic statement format and signatures in the paper statement format, the automated information and analysis system shall calculate the list of the signatures to be rejected, indicating the reasons for it, according to the form established by the Central Election Commission.

5. Based on the outcome of the verification, the Central Election Commission shall adopt a resolution on the results of collecting the signatures in support of the initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum.

6. In the event that the number of signatures, which have been put by the citizens who support the initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum on the relevant issue, is sufficient to announce the all-Ukrainian referendum, the Central Election Commission shall indicate this in its decision on the results of collecting the signatures in support of the initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum on this issue.

7. In the event that the number of signatures, which have been put by the citizens who support the initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum on the relevant issue, is insufficient to announce the all-Ukrainian referendum, the Central Election Commission shall adopt a decision on the results of collecting the signatures in support of the initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum on this issue, referring to the insufficient number of the signatures put by the citizens who support the initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum, the number of the rejected signatures put by the Ukrainian citizens and of the rejected signature sheets, citing the reasons for such rejection.

8. Concurrently with this decision, the Central Election Commission shall adopt a resolution to terminate the initiative to hold the respective all-Ukrainian referendum, which, not later than on the following day after its adoption, shall be issued (forwarded) to the initiative team's authorised representative, made public on the Central Election Commission's official website, and published, within three days from the adoption thereof, in the "Holos Ukrainy" newspaper.

9. The initiative team may appeal the resolution referred to in paragraph 8 of this Article in the manner prescribed by the Code of Administrative Procedure of Ukraine.

Article 36. Delivery to the President of Ukraine of the decision on the results of collecting signatures in support of the initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum

1. In the event that the signatures in support of the all-Ukrainian referendum have been collected in the number and manner prescribed by the Constitution of Ukraine and this Law, the Central Election Commission, not later than on the following day after adopting a decision on the results of collecting signatures in support of the initiative to hold the all-Ukrainian referendum, shall deliver this decision to the President of Ukraine.

CHAPTER III

ORGANISING AND HOLDING THE ALL-UKRAINIAN REFERENDUM

Article 37. The all-Ukrainian referendum constituencies

1. The all-Ukrainian referendum is held in the nationwide all-Ukrainian referendum constituency that covers the entire territory of Ukraine and the all-Ukrainian referendum overseas constituency.

To prepare, organise and hold the all-Ukrainian referendum, territorial election constituencies shall be used, set up by the Central Election Commission under Article 27 of the Election Code of Ukraine and existing on a permanent basis.

2. The all-Ukrainian referendum overseas constituency includes all the respective overseas precincts set up under Article 31 of the Election Code of Ukraine.

Article 38. The all-Ukrainian referendum precincts

1. To prepare, organise and conduct voting and counting of votes in the all-Ukrainian referendum, regular, special and overseas election precincts, formed on a permanent basis, shall be used, as well as special precincts that are set up on a temporary basis under the Election Code of Ukraine.

2. To prepare, organise and conduct electronic voting and counting of votes in the all-Ukrainian referendum, a special precinct for electronic voting is set up under this Law on a temporary basis.

3. Not later than on the fifth day from the commencement of the all-Ukrainian referendum process, the Central Election Commission shall make public on its official website the list of the relevant precincts, indicating the constituencies in which they are included and the precinct numbers.

CHAPTER IV

THE ALL-UKRAINIAN REFERENDUM COMMISSIONS

Article 39. The system of the all-Ukrainian referendum commissions

1. The system of the all-Ukrainian referendum commissions engaged in the preparations for and holding of the all-Ukrainian referendum includes:

- 1) the Central Election Commission as the principal commission in the all-Ukrainian referendum;
- 2) the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commissions;
- 3) the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commissions;
- 4) the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission for electronic voting.

2. Powers of the all-Ukrainian referendum commissions engaged in the preparations for and holding of the all-Ukrainian referendum are exercised by:

- 1) the Central Election Commission — throughout Ukraine and in the all-Ukrainian referendum overseas constituency;
- 2) the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission — within the all-Ukrainian referendum territorial constituency;
- 3) the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission — within the all-Ukrainian

referendum precinct;

4) the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission for electronic voting — throughout Ukraine and in the all-Ukrainian referendum overseas constituency.

3. Powers of the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission at the all-Ukrainian referendum overseas constituency shall be exercised by the Central Election Commission.

Article 40. Status of the all-Ukrainian referendum commissions

1. The all-Ukrainian referendum commissions are special collegial bodies authorised to prepare and hold the all-Ukrainian referendum and to ensure observance and uniform application of Ukraine's laws on the all-Ukrainian referendum.

2. The status of the Central Election Commission is determined by the Constitution of Ukraine, the Law of Ukraine "On the Central Election Commission", this and other laws of Ukraine. The Central Election Commission heads the system of the all-Ukrainian referendum commissions that manage the preparation and holding of the all-Ukrainian referendum and is the higher all-Ukrainian referendum commission for all the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency and precinct commissions referred to in this Law.

3. The Central Election Commission is not legal successor to the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commissions.

4. The status of the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency and precinct commissions is determined by this Law.

5. The all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission is the higher commission for all the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commissions within the respective all-Ukrainian referendum territorial constituency.

The all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission is not a legal entity. The all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission shall be the entity of the respective all-Ukrainian referendum process and shall be entitled to apply, within its powers, to government authorities and local self-government authorities, as well as to enterprises, institutions and organisations, their officers and officials. The all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission shall have its own seal, the sample of which is to be approved by the Central Election Commission.

Article 41. Requirements on the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency or precinct commission members

1. Members of the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission or of the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission at a regular or special all-Ukrainian referendum precinct may include voters residing within Ukraine.

2. A voter may be a member of only one all-Ukrainian referendum commission.

3. Members of the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency or precinct commission may not include:

1) the initiative team members;

2) representatives of the all-Ukrainian referendum process entities at the Central Election Commission;

3) authorised persons of the all-Ukrainian referendum process entities;

4) officials and officers of government authorities, authorities of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea, local self-government authorities;

5) citizens detained at penitentiary institutions;

6) citizens having previous convictions for grave or especially grave crimes committed against citizens' electoral rights or for corruption offences, which have been neither cancelled nor cleared in the manner prescribed by law;

7) official observers.

4. Members of the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission at a special precinct set up under an inpatient care facility or penitentiary institution may not include employees from the respective facility or institution.

5. The secretary of the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency or precinct commission must have command of the State language to the extent required for keeping records.

Article 42. Powers of the Central Election Commission as the principal commission in the all-Ukrainian referendum

1. The powers of the Central Election Commission in organising, preparing and holding the all-Ukrainian referendum are determined by the Law of Ukraine "On the Central Election Commission", this and other laws of Ukraine.

2. The Central Election Commission shall monitor compliance with and uniform application of the laws on all-Ukrainian referendum by the voters, the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency and precinct commissions and their members, government authorities, authorities of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea and local self-government authorities, their officers and officials, enterprises, institutions, organisations and their officers, the media, their owners, officers and production personnel, political parties, their representatives at the Central Election Commission and authorised persons, official observers, civil society organisations, other public associations.

3. The Central Election Commission shall support the operation of the automated information and analysis system.

4. In order to ensure administrative, legal, informational, and technical support for the exercise of its powers, the Central Election Commission may engage relevant specialists, experts and technical personnel for the duration of the all-Ukrainian referendum process.

Article 43. Powers of the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission

1. Powers of the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission shall commence upon swearing in of at least two-thirds of its membership, as determined during the establishment thereof, at its first meeting to be held not later than on the second day following the adoption of the decision to establish it and shall be convened by the commission chairman.

2. The all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission shall:

1) support the preparations for and holding of the all-Ukrainian referendum within the territorial constituency;

2) monitor, within the respective all-Ukrainian referendum territorial constituency, compliance with and uniform application of the laws on the all-Ukrainian referendum by the voters, the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commissions and their members, government authorities, authorities of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea and local self-government authorities, their officers and officials, enterprises, institutions, organisations and their officers, the media, and by the direct all-Ukrainian referendum process entities, such as political parties, civil society organisations, their authorised persons, official observers;

3) provide administrative, methodological, and technical support to the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commissions, manage training of the members of these commissions on the matters related to organising the all-Ukrainian referendum process;

4) set up the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commissions under this Law;

5) convene of its own initiative, where necessary, a meeting of the all-Ukrainian

referendum precinct commission;

6) submit proposals on the application of appropriations from the State Budget of Ukraine, which are allocated for preparing and holding the all-Ukrainian referendum, in the manner prescribed by the Central Election Commission;

7) monitor provision of the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commissions with premises, vehicles, equipment, communications, address and resolve other matters of logistical support for the all-Ukrainian referendum within the constituency territory;

8) deliver ballot papers and other document forms under this Law to the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commissions, monitor accounting of ballot papers within the territorial constituency;

9) decide on the manufacture of seals and stamps, and deliver them to the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commissions;

10) establish the outcome of voting in the respective territorial constituency, draw up a voting summary report and deliver it to the Central Election Commission;

11) consider, within its powers, appeals, applications and complaints concerning the managing and holding of the all-Ukrainian referendum within the constituency, complaints against decisions, actions or omissions by the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commissions, as well as against persons who are its members or members of the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commissions, and take decisions in respect of them;

12) exercise other powers under this and other laws of Ukraine.

3. Powers of the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission shall terminate fifteen days after the outcome of the all-Ukrainian referendum has been officially made public by the Central Election Commission.

Article 44. Powers of the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission

1. Powers of the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission shall commence upon swearing in of the majority of its membership, as determined during the establishment thereof, at the commission meeting to be held not later than on the second day following the adoption of the decision to establish it and shall be convened by the commission chairman.

2. The all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission shall:

1) monitor strict compliance with and uniform application of the laws on the all-Ukrainian referendum when preparing for and conducting the voting, and counting the votes at the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct;

2) receive the voter list from the State Voter Register monitoring office or, in the instances referred to in this Law, compile the voter list, make it available for public inspection and amend it in the instances referred to in this Law;

3) in the manner and within the terms stipulated by this Law, deliver or forward to each voter included in the voter list at the respective all-Ukrainian referendum precinct a personal invitation indicating the voting date, address of the premises for voting, the voting start and end time;

4) provide citizens with an opportunity to inspect the wording of the question to be put to the all-Ukrainian referendum and the text of the relevant (draft) law both during the preparations for the all-Ukrainian referendum and on the voting date, as well as decisions adopted by the Central Election Commission, the respective all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission, its own decisions and the notices received by the commission;

- 5) ensure accounting and safekeeping of the ballot papers received by the commission;
 - 6) ensure preparation of the premises for voting and of ballot boxes;
 - 7) organise voting by the voters at the premises for voting and, in the instances referred to in this Law, at the voters' place of stay;
 - 8) count the votes cast by the voters at the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct, compile a report of the voices counted at the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct and deliver it, together with other all-Ukrainian referendum documentation, to the respective all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission in the manner prescribed by this Law;
 - 9) declare invalid the vote at the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct on the grounds stipulated by this Law;
 - 10) consider applications and complaints concerning the preparations for and conduct of voting at the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct, including complaints against actions or omissions by its members and, within its powers, take decisions in respect of them.
3. Powers of the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission shall terminate ten days after the outcome of the all-Ukrainian referendum has been officially made public by the Central Election Commission.
4. Apart from the powers stipulated by this Article, the electronic voting precinct commission shall have the right either not to start, or to suspend, or terminate electronic voting in the event that the security or operability of the electronic voting system cannot be ensured for the electronic voting to be conducted in compliance with the law.

Article 45. Nomination of candidates to the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission

1. The right to nominate candidates to the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commissions shall be held by:
- 1) the initiative team;
 - 2) the political party that has formed a parliamentary faction in the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine of the current convocation and is registered as a proponent or opponent of the question in the all-Ukrainian referendum;
 - 3) the political party registered as a proponent or opponent of the question put to the all-Ukrainian referendum (other than the political parties referred to in paragraph 1.2 of this Article).
2. In the event that no candidates were nominated to the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission from the entities referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article by the date set forth in paragraph 4 of this Article, or where the number of nominees to the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission is less than twelve, the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission numbering twelve persons shall be set up by the Central Election Commission upon submission by its Chairman on the basis of propositions from the Central Election Commission members, with due regard given to the candidates nominated according to paragraph 1 of this Article.
3. The format for submitting the candidates to the all-Ukrainian referendum commissions shall be adopted by the Central Election Commission not later than on the second day after the start of the all-Ukrainian referendum process and may not be changed in the course of the all-Ukrainian referendum process. The submission shall indicate:
- 1) the person's surname, name (all given names), and patronymic (if any);

- 2) date of birth;
- 3) the person's citizenship;
- 4) the person's voting address and contact telephone numbers;
- 5) command of the State language;
- 6) education;
- 7) the person's place of employment and occupied position;
- 8) any previous experience of working in election commissions or the all-Ukrainian referendum commissions;
- 9) the information about the lack of criminal record for committing a deliberate crime;
- 10) the suggested position in the commission for the person.

4. Candidates to the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commissions shall be nominated in paper form and electronically at least forty-five days before the voting date under the signatures of the initiative team's authorized person or the political party leaders, respectively. Signatures of the political party leaders shall be attested by a seal.

5. Handwritten statements from the persons nominated to the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission, declaring their consent to work in such commission on behalf of the respective nominating entity, shall be attached to the submission, indicating the person's surname, name, patronymic, voting address, along with the photocopies of the first and second pages of the passport of a citizen of Ukraine (passport of a citizen of Ukraine in the form of a passport book or card), for each nominated person.

Article 46. The procedure for setting up the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commissions

1. The all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commissions shall be set up by the Central Election Commission at least forty days before the day of voting in the all-Ukrainian referendum and shall comprise the chairman, deputy chairman, secretary and other members of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission.

2. The all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission shall be composed of twelve persons.

3. The nominating entities — proponents and opponents of the question in the all-Ukrainian referendum — shall be entitled to proportional representation in each category of managerial positions at the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commissions. The proportion of managerial positions for each nominating entity within the nationwide constituency shall be determined according to the number of candidates included in the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commissions from such entity against the total number of persons included in the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commissions. The allocation of managerial positions between the nominating entities within the proportion determined according to this paragraph shall be carried out by the Central Election Commission.

4. The all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission must comprise, subject to the availability of a relevant submission, one representative from the initiative team and one representative from the political party that, immediately following the outcome of the previous elections of people's deputies of Ukraine, has formed a parliamentary faction and registered it in the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine of the current convocation.

The all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission shall include a maximum of one representative from the political parties registered as proponents or opponents of the question

in the all-Ukrainian referendum, as determined by the drawing of lots held by the Central Election Commission, in the manner prescribed by it, separately for each all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission not later than on the fifth day from the expiration of the period for making submissions referred to in Article 45.4 of this Law.

To ensure representation of the proponents and opponents of the question in the all-Ukrainian referendum in the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission, such drawing of lots shall be held separately for the candidates to the commission to be included from the proponents and opponents of the question in the all-Ukrainian referendum. The candidates nominated to the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission may only be rejected on the grounds of their non-conformity with the requirements set forth in Article 41 of this Law or through the application of the lot-drawing scheme stipulated in this paragraph. When drawing lots, the number of the commission members from the proponents and opponents of the question in the all-Ukrainian referendum, which take part in drawing lots, shall be determined in a way that would minimise the difference in the representation of the proponents and opponents of the question in the all-Ukrainian referendum in the commission, taking into account the number of representatives from the initiative team and the political parties that have formed deputy factions in the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine of the current convocation.

5. Clerical errors or inaccuracies made in the submission may not constitute grounds for rejecting the nominated candidates. Upon identification of such clerical errors or inaccuracies, the Central Election Commission shall promptly notify the representative of the respective entity in the all-Ukrainian referendum process at the Central Election Commission. The said clerical errors or inaccuracies may be corrected by making a revised submission of the respective candidates within the period referred to in Article 45.4 of this Law or, where the above notice was received on the last day of this period, — on the day following the receipt of such notice. If no revised submission has been received within the prescribed period, the respective candidates shall be rejected.

6. The Central Election Commission shall promptly make available to the State Voter Register monitoring offices at the location of the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission the resolution on setting up the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commissions and their composition. An extract from the said resolution concerning the membership of each all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission shall be forwarded to the Register-keeping authorities at the voting addresses of the persons included in the respective all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission.

7. The resolution on setting up the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commissions and their membership, as adopted under this Law, shall be made public on the Central Election Commission's official website not later than the following day from the adoption thereof. A resolution on changes in the membership of the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission shall be made public in the manner and within the period stipulated by this paragraph, but not later than the last day before the voting date.

8. Members of the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission shall be issued identity cards by the Central Election Commission according to the form approved by the Central Election Commission.

9. Government authorities and local self-government authorities shall be charged with providing the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commissions with premises and logistic resources in the manner prescribed by the Central Election Commission.

Article 47. Nomination of candidates to the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission

1. The right to nominate candidates to the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commissions shall be held by the entities referred to in Article 45.1 of this Law. The submission shall be made on behalf of such entity by the authorised person of the national referendum process entity in the respective all-Ukrainian referendum territorial constituency. The persons

proposed for the positions of the chairman, deputy chairman and secretary of the commission shall be indicated in such submission.

2. In the event that no candidates were nominated to the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission from the entities listed in Article 45.1 by the date set forth in paragraph 3 of this Article, or where the number of nominees to the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission is less than the minimum number set forth in Articles 48.2 and 48.3 of this Law, the right to nominate candidates to the regular or special all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission shall be held by the chairman of the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission. In this event, nominees to the all-Ukrainian referendum overseas precinct commission shall be submitted by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine.

3. Submission of candidates to the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission shall be made at least thirty days before the voting date in paper form and electronically according to the form referred to in Article 45.3 of this Law.

4. Handwritten statements from the persons nominated to the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission, declaring their consent to work in such commission on behalf of the respective nominating entity, shall be attached to the submission, indicating the person's surname, name, patronymic, voting address, along with the photocopies of the first and second pages of the passport of a citizen of Ukraine (passport of a citizen of Ukraine in the form of a passport book or card), for each nominated person.

Article 48. The procedure for setting up the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commissions

1. The all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission shall be set up by the respective all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission at least eighteen days before the voting date in the all-Ukrainian referendum and shall comprise the chairman, deputy chairman, secretary and other members of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission.

The precinct for electronic voting shall be set up by the Central Election Commission at least eighteen days before the voting date in the all-Ukrainian referendum and shall comprise fifteen members — the chairman, deputy chairman, secretary and other members, in the manner prescribed by Articles 45–47 of this Law.

At least one third of the members of the precinct for electronic voting must have a university degree in the field of information technology.

2. The membership of the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission shall number:

- 1) 10 to 18 persons in small-sized precincts;
- 2) 14 to 20 persons in medium-sized precincts;
- 3) 18 to 24 persons in large precincts.

3. At smaller precincts where the number of voters does not exceed fifty persons, the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission may comprise the chairman, secretary and from two to four commission members.

4. The all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission shall form the membership of the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission, based on the restrictions on the number of the commission members, as established by paragraphs 2–3 of this Article, and observing the representation of the proponents and opponents of the question in the all-Ukrainian referendum.

5. The all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission must comprise, subject to the availability of a relevant submission, one representative from the initiative team and two representatives from the political party that, immediately following the outcome of the previous elections of people's deputies of Ukraine, has formed a parliamentary faction and registered it in the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine of the current convocation. The all-Ukrainian referendum

precinct commission shall include a maximum of one representative from the political parties registered with the Central Election Commission as proponents or opponents of the question in the all-Ukrainian referendum, as determined by the drawing of lots held by the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission, in the manner prescribed by it, separately for each all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission not later than on the fifth day from the expiration of the period for making submissions referred to in Article 47.3 of this Law To ensure representation of the proponents and opponents of the question in the all-Ukrainian referendum in the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission, such drawing of lots shall be held separately for the candidates to the commission to be included from the proponents and opponents of the question in the all-Ukrainian referendum. The candidates nominated to the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission may only be rejected on the grounds of their non-conformity with the requirements set forth in this Law or through the application of the lot-drawing scheme stipulated in this paragraph. When drawing lots, the number of the commission members from the proponents and opponents of the question in the all-Ukrainian referendum, which take part in drawing lots, shall be determined in a way that would minimise the difference in the representation of the proponents and opponents of the question in the all-Ukrainian referendum in the commission, taking into account the number of representatives from the initiative team and the political parties that have formed deputy factions in the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine of the current convocation.

6. The all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission shall verify the authenticity of information about the nominees, including through the use of personal data from the State Voter Register. To this end, the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission, immediately upon receipt of the submission, shall file a request with the respective State Voter Register monitoring office for verifying the authenticity of information. The State Voter Register monitoring office shall respond to the request within four days from the receipt thereof.

7. Clerical errors or inaccuracies made in the submission may not constitute grounds for rejecting the nominated candidates. The all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission shall immediately notify the authorised person who has submitted the candidates of any identified clerical errors or inaccuracies. The said clerical errors or inaccuracies may be corrected by making a revised submission of the respective candidates within the period referred to in Article 47.3 of this Law or, where the above notice was received on the last day of this period, — on the day following the receipt of this notice. If no revised submission has been received within the prescribed period, the respective candidates shall be rejected.

8. In the event that no candidates were nominated to the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission by the date set forth in paragraph 7 of this Article, or where the number of nominees to the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission is less than the minimum number set forth in paragraphs 2 and 3 of this Article, the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission shall be set up in the minimum membership, as stipulated by paragraphs 2 and 3 of this Article, by the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission upon submission by its chairman on the basis of propositions from the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission members, with due regard given to the candidates nominated according to Article 45.1 of this Law. The persons nominated by the chairman of the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission must meet the requirements set forth in Article 41 of this Law.

9. The all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission at a special precinct set up on a ship that, on the voting date in the all-Ukrainian referendum, sails under the State Flag of Ukraine, or at Ukraine's polar station, shall be set up by the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission by the date stipulated in paragraph 1 of this Article at the ship's port of registry, or at Ukraine's polar station, respectively, upon submission from the ship's captain or from the director of Ukraine's polar station, of which a notice shall be given via technical means of communication.

10. The all-Ukrainian referendum overseas precinct commission shall be set up by the Central Election Commission within the period stipulated by paragraph 1 of this Article, with

regard to suggestions from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine shall be required to provide the number of nominations to the all-Ukrainian referendum overseas precinct commissions that would ensure the membership of at least ten persons in the all-Ukrainian referendum overseas precinct commissions. Where it is practically impossible to set up the all-Ukrainian referendum overseas precinct commissions comprising the above number of members, the Central Election Commission shall set up the respective overseas precinct commissions comprising the chairman, deputy chairman, secretary and between one and three members of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission.

11. The decision to set up an all-Ukrainian referendum commission shall be published not later than on the following day after its adoption on the official website of the Central Election Commission, as well as in print media, or, where impossible, — otherwise within three days from setting up such commission.

12. Members of the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission shall be issued identity cards by the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission according to the form established by the Central Election Commission.

13. Government authorities and local self-government authorities shall be charged with providing the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commissions with premises and logistic resources in the manner prescribed by the Central Election Commission.

Article 49. Managing the operation of the all-Ukrainian referendum commissions

1. The all-Ukrainian referendum commission is a collegial body. The all-Ukrainian referendum constituency and precinct commissions shall manage their operation according to this Law and in the manner prescribed by the Central Election Commission.

2. The principal format of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission's operation is a meeting convened by the commission chairman or, in his absence, by the deputy chairman or, in the absence of both the chairman and deputy chairman, by the commission secretary. Where necessary, a meeting of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission may be convened by a decision of the higher all-Ukrainian referendum commission.

3. Upon a written request made by one-third of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission members, the commission chairman or his deputy shall be required to convene a commission meeting not later than on the day following the receipt of such request.

4. Voting by voters on the all-Ukrainian referendum voting date shall not constitute a meeting of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission.

5. The first meeting shall be convened not later than on the third day from its establishment, while any subsequent ones — as may be necessary.

6. A meeting of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission shall be competent if attended by at least half of the commission members.

7. A meeting of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission shall be convened by a notice that must be given to all the commission members about the time, venue, and agenda of the meeting.

8. Members of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission should generally be provided with draft decisions of the commission and any necessary documentation at least on the day preceding the commission meeting, but not later than the start of the meeting.

9. A meeting of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission shall be presided by the commission chairman or his deputy; should they fail to perform this function, the commission shall appoint from among its members a person to preside at the meeting.

10. Upon request from three members of the commission, as well as under a decision of

a higher all-Ukrainian referendum commission or a court, the all-Ukrainian referendum commission shall consider at its meeting the matters referred to its competence within three days from the request made or the said decision adopted, but not later than on the voting date, while on the voting date — immediately, other than for the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission.

11. At the request made by the said commission members on the voting date or under the decision adopted by a higher commission or a court on the voting date, the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission shall be required to consider at its meeting, immediately after the voting ends, the matters referred to its competence, other than the matters associated with changes to the voter list in the all-Ukrainian referendum.

12. The commission shall adopt its decisions by the majority of votes cast by the commission members in an open ballot, unless otherwise stipulated by this Law.

13. The commission's decision shall come into force upon adoption thereof, unless otherwise stipulated by this Law.

14. A decision adopted by the all-Ukrainian referendum commission within its competence shall be binding on all the all-Ukrainian referendum process entities, government authorities, authorities of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea, local self-government authorities, officers and officials of these authorities, on enterprises, institutions, organisations and their officers, the media, and public associations.

15. A decision adopted by the all-Ukrainian referendum commission in contravention of the laws of Ukraine or in excess of its powers may be revoked by a higher all-Ukrainian referendum commission, the Central Election Commission following the consideration of an appeal, or of its own initiative, or may be found unlawful and revoked by court. In this instance, a higher all-Ukrainian referendum commission shall be entitled to adopt a decision on the merits of the issue.

16. Any statements, complaints or other documents received by the all-Ukrainian referendum commission shall be accepted and registered in the manner prescribed by the Central Election Commission.

17. In order to ensure administrative, legal, and technical support for the exercise of its powers, as stipulated by this Law, the all-Ukrainian referendum commission may engage relevant specialists, experts and technical personnel in the manner prescribed by the Central Election Commission.

18. No one shall be allowed to interfere in the operation of the all-Ukrainian referendum commissions.

Article 50. The right to attend the commission meeting

1. The following persons shall be entitled to attend meetings of the Central Election Commission:

- 1) authorised representatives of the all-Ukrainian referendum process entities in the nationwide all-Ukrainian referendum constituency;
- 2) a maximum of two official observers from a single civil society organisation;
- 3) official observers from foreign states and international organisations accredited by the Central Election Commission;
- 4) representatives of the media — a maximum of two persons from a single media outlet simultaneously.

2. Only the following persons shall be allowed to attend meetings of the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency or precinct commission, including when the votes are being counted or the outcome of the vote is being established, or to be present in the premises for voting at

an all-Ukrainian referendum precinct on the voting date without the permission or invitation from the respective commission:

- 1) members of higher all-Ukrainian referendum commissions;
- 2) authorised persons and official observers (a maximum of two official observers from a single all-Ukrainian referendum process entity);
- 3) official observers from foreign states and international organisations accredited by the Central Election Commission;
- 4) representatives of the media (a maximum of two persons from a single media outlet simultaneously);
- 5) officers from the respective territorial or regional representative office of the Central Election Commission.

3. Other persons than those referred to in paragraph 2 of this Article may attend a meeting of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission only with the permission or at the invitation from such commission, of which a decision is to be adopted at the commission meeting.

4. The persons not referred to in paragraph 2 of this Article may not be present at the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct during the voting or attend a meeting of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission where the votes are being counted or the outcome of the vote is being established.

5. The all-Ukrainian referendum commission may adopt a decision to deprive the persons referred to in paragraphs 1–3 of this Article of the right to attend its meeting, if they unlawfully obstruct its conduct. This decision shall be adopted by at least two-thirds of the votes cast by the members of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission.

6. Authorised officers of the National Police of Ukraine shall protect law and order on the voting date and when counting the votes outside the premises for voting only. In the event of breach of law and order, the chairman, deputy chairman or secretary of the commission may invite the officer of the National Police of Ukraine to take action to restore law and order.

Article 51. Documenting the operation of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission

1. The operation of the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency or precinct commission shall be documented in the manner prescribed by this Article and the Procedure for keeping records by the all-Ukrainian referendum commissions, as approved by the Central Election Commission.

2. During a meeting of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission, minutes shall be taken by the commission secretary. In the event that the commission secretary is absent or fails to perform his duties at the meeting, the commission shall appoint the secretary of the meeting from among its members, who shall perform the duties of the commission secretary at the respective meeting and finalise the documents of the meeting. Minutes of the commission meeting shall be signed by the presiding person and the commission secretary (or by the secretary of the meeting). The minutes of the commission meeting shall be made available for inspection by the commission members not later than by the next commission meeting, and each commission member shall be entitled to sign such minutes.

3. A decision by the all-Ukrainian referendum commission shall be finalised as a resolution containing:

- 1) the name of the commission;
- 2) the name of the resolution;
- 3) the date and place of the adoption, and the serial number of the resolution;
- 4) the reasoning part, citing the circumstances that necessitate the consideration

of the issue at the commission meeting and referring to the relevant regulations or a resolution of a higher all-Ukrainian referendum commission or a court ruling by which the commission has been guided in its decision-making;

5) the operative part.

4. The resolution shall be signed by the person presiding at the meeting of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission. The resolution contents and number must be reflected in the minutes of the respective commission meeting.

5. The resolution adopted by the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency or precinct commission shall be posted on the commission's official announcement board for public inspection not later than the following morning after its adoption, and if adopted on the eve of the voting date, on the voting date or when the outcome of the vote is being established — within four hours after the meeting of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission has been adjourned. Within the same period, this resolution shall also be communicated to the all-Ukrainian referendum process entities concerned. A copy of the resolution certified by the chairman of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission or his deputy and the commission secretary, and attested by the seal of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission, shall be issued to the all-Ukrainian referendum process entity concerned within four hours from the adoption thereof and, on the voting date, — immediately upon its request. The commission's official announcement board shall be mounted at the commission's premises in a place freely accessible to visitors.

6. A copy of each resolution adopted by the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission shall be forwarded, within three days from the adoption thereof, via the information and analysis system to the Central Election Commission and shall be immediately made public on the Central Election Commission's official website.

7. The commission may adopt protocol decisions, the content of which is entered in the minutes of the commission meeting and is not finalised as a separate document, on the matters of its current operation or in other instances referred to in this Law.

8. An all-Ukrainian referendum commission shall draw up statements and reports. A statement by the commission certifies a certain fact or a certain event that has been identified and recognised by the commission. A report by the commission summarises certain actions performed by the commission.

The persons attending the meeting, as referred to in Articles 50.1.1–3 or 50.2.1–3 and 50.2.5 of this Law, respectively, shall be entitled to sign the first copy of a statement or report.

9. Statements and reports shall be drawn up by the all-Ukrainian referendum commission in the instances referred to in this Law, according to the forms approved by the Central Election Commission and in the number of copies established by this Law. The commission's statement or report shall be signed by all the commission members attending the meeting, whose signatures shall be attested by the seal of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission. The copy of each statement and report of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission, drawn up by the constituency commission and by the all-Ukrainian referendum commission, shall be forwarded by means of electronic mail to the Central Election Commission within three days from being drawn up and shall be immediately made public on the official website of the Central Election Commission.

Article 52. Status of a member of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission

1. The status of a member of the Central Election Commission is determined by the Law of Ukraine "On the Central Election Commission".

2. The status of a member of the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency or precinct commission, as well as the procedure for acquiring this status, are determined by this Law. The form of the identity card issued to the members of the all-Ukrainian referendum

constituency and precinct commissions shall be established by the Central Election Commission.

At the first commission meeting attended by him, a member of the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency or precinct commission must read the contents of paragraphs 4–9 of this Article, after which he must take the following oath:

“I (surname, name, patronymic), assuming the powers of a member of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission and understanding my high responsibility before the Ukrainian people, hereby swear that I will abide by the Constitution of Ukraine and the laws of Ukraine, exercise my duties honestly and in good faith, with due regard to the principles of the rule of law, legitimacy, objectivity and impartiality, and will ensure the exercise and protection of the Ukrainian citizens’ rights to participate in the all-Ukrainian referendum.”

The person who has taken the oath shall put his signature under the text of the oath. This document shall constitute an integral part of the respective commission’s documentation. Upon taking the oath, the commission member shall be issued an identity card signed by the chairman of a higher commission.

A refusal to take the oath shall mean the person’s refusal to become a member of the referendum commission.

3. Under a decision of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission approved by a higher commission, the chairman, deputy chairman, secretary and other members of the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency (not exceeding two persons in total) or precinct (not exceeding two persons in total) commission may exercise, for the entire duration of the commission’s powers or any portion of such period, their powers in the all-Ukrainian referendum commission by being remunerated for their work in the commission according to this Law. The above-mentioned persons shall be relieved from performing any production or official duties at their primary place of employment during that period, with their overall and special length of service preserved.

4. A member of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission shall be entitled to:

- 1) participate in handling the issues to be submitted for consideration by the all-Ukrainian referendum commission;
- 2) speak at the meetings of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission, put questions to other attendees at the meeting concerning the agenda, submit proposals on the matters referred to the commission’s competence;
- 3) on instructions from the relevant all-Ukrainian referendum commission, inspect the operation of lower commissions;
- 4) free inspection of all the documents of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission, of which he is a member, and of those of lower commissions;
- 5) compensation of damage caused to life, health or property in connection with the performance of the duties of a member of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission, including the cost of travel associated with the performance of the duties of the commission member, in the manner and amount established by the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine.

5. A commission member may not be dismissed from the job or transferred to a lower position for reasons associated with the performance of his duties in the all-Ukrainian referendum commission.

6. A member of the all-Ukrainian referendum commissions shall:

- 1) observe the Constitution of Ukraine, this and other laws of Ukraine;
- 2) attend the meetings of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission;

3) implement the decisions of the respective all-Ukrainian referendum commission, decisions of higher all-Ukrainian referendum commissions, and perform the duties of a member of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission.

7. The member of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission shall also have other rights and duties under this and other laws of Ukraine.

8. For the duration of direct performance of the duties of a member of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission, each member of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission shall be covered by the guarantees and compensation stipulated by law for employees for the period of performance by them of government or public duties during working hours.

The member of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission shall be relieved from the performance of official duties at his primary place of employment for the period that may be necessary to discharge the duties of a commission member.

9. The member of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission shall not be allowed to campaign in support or against the question in the all-Ukrainian referendum or to voice in public his opinion of the question in the all-Ukrainian referendum.

Article 53. Early termination of powers of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission or of a member of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission

1. Powers of all members of the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency or precinct commission may be terminated by the commission that has set it up either of its own initiative or under a court ruling in the event of systematic violations of the Constitution of Ukraine, this and other laws of Ukraine by the commission.

2. Powers of a member of the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency or precinct commission shall be terminated by the commission that has set it up in connection with:

- 1) a personal letter of resignation as a commission member;
- 2) a submission for replacement of the commission member, made by the entity upon whose submission this member has been included in the commission;
- 3) termination of his Ukrainian citizenship;
- 4) the departure, for the period through the voting date inclusive, outside of Ukraine or the State on which territory an overseas election precinct has been set up, thereby preventing him from the performance of the commission member's duties;
- 5) his registration with the Central Election Commission as a representative of the all-Ukrainian referendum process entity or an authorised person of the all-Ukrainian referendum process entity;
- 6) his inclusion into another all-Ukrainian referendum commission;
- 7) his refusal to take an oath as a commission member;
- 8) his breach of the commission member oath, manifested as a systematic failure to perform his duties, which has been evidenced by at least two decisions adopted in this matter by the commission of which he is a member;
- 9) a systematic or single gross violation of the laws of Ukraine on the all-Ukrainian referendum, as found by a court ruling or a decision of a higher commission, two or more failures to attend meetings of the commission without valid reasons, or failure to attend the commission meeting on the voting date;
- 10) a guilty verdict against him coming into force for committing a grave or especially grave crime, a crime against citizens' electoral rights or for a corruption offence;
- 11) discovery of the circumstances that deprive this person of the right to be a

commission member;

12) him being found incapable or a missing person;

13) his death or him being declared deceased.

3. Should the circumstances referred to in paragraphs 2.3–7 and 2.10–13 of this Article occur, powers of the member of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission shall terminate upon the occurrence or discovery thereof, and, in respect of the circumstances referred to in paragraphs 2.1, 2.2, 2.8, and 2.9 of this Article — upon adoption of the decision to terminate his powers.

4. A higher all-Ukrainian referendum commission that has terminated the powers of all or any commission members, or has identified the grounds for early termination of powers, shall notify thereof, not later than the following day, the entities upon the submission of which the persons, whose powers have been terminated early or for whom the grounds for termination of their powers have been identified, were included in the commission.

5. The nominating entity for the commission member whose powers have been terminated early shall have a priority right to nominate a candidate to the all-Ukrainian referendum commission instead of the withdrawn member. Such a submission, made under this Law not later than the following day after the receipt of the said notice, may not be rejected.

6. In the event of early termination of powers of the entire all-Ukrainian referendum commission, the respective higher commission, not later than on the third day from the termination of the commission's powers, but on the last day before the voting date at the latest, shall approve new members of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission in the manner prescribed by the Central Election Commission.

7. In the event of early termination of powers of a member of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission in the instances referred to in paragraph 3 of this Article, the respective higher commission, not later than on the third day from the termination of his powers, but on the last day before the voting date at the latest, shall include a new member in the all-Ukrainian referendum commission instead of the member whose powers have been terminated in the manner prescribed by this Law.

8. In the event of early termination of powers of a member of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission on the last day before the voting date, such a decision shall be adopted concurrently with a decision to include a new member in the respective all-Ukrainian referendum commission from the same nominating entity. Should the nominating entity refuse to submit a new candidate, the relevant submission shall be made by the chairman of the respective all-Ukrainian referendum commission.

9. In the event of early termination of powers of a member of the all-Ukrainian overseas precinct commission, a new member shall be included in the commission upon submission from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine. Where it is impossible to implement the relevant replacement, powers of the all-Ukrainian overseas precinct commission shall be exercised by the available members.

10. In the event that the chairman, deputy chairman or secretary of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission systematically fails to perform the duties assigned to him, the respective constituency or precinct commission may apply to the all-Ukrainian referendum commission that had set it up which with a reasoned submission requesting his replacement, if at least two-thirds of the respective all-Ukrainian referendum commission members have voted in favour of it. This submission must be considered within the period referred to in paragraphs 6 and 7 of this Article. A decision to replace the chairman, deputy chairman, or secretary of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission shall be adopted subject to the requirements of Article 46.2 and 46.3 of this Law. The said decision shall not entail termination of powers of these persons as members of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission.

CHAPTER V VOTER LISTS

Article 54. Compiling preliminary voter lists for regular all-Ukrainian referendum precincts

1. In order to arrange for and conduct voting at the all-Ukrainian referendum, the State Voter Register monitoring office shall compile preliminary voter lists, based on the State Voter Register's information, for each regular all-Ukrainian referendum precinct that has been set up within the territory of its competence.

2. The preliminary voter list at the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct shall include citizens of Ukraine who have reached or, as of the voting date, will have reached 18 years of age, who have the right to vote in the all-Ukrainian referendum and who have been assigned to such all-Ukrainian referendum precinct according to the information from the State Voter Register. A voter may be included in a voter list only at one all-Ukrainian referendum precinct.

3. Where a voter whose place of voting has been temporarily changed is included in the preliminary voter list, a record thereof shall be made in the "Notes" column next to his name.

4. Preliminary voter lists shall be compiled according to the form established by the Central Election Commission, in compliance with paragraphs 5 and 6 of this Article.

5. The preliminary voter list shall have continuous numbering of voters and continuous page numbering. The information on voters in the voter list at a regular all-Ukrainian referendum precinct shall be arranged to group together the voters with the same voting address.

6. The preliminary voter list shall contain the following information about the voter:

- 1) surname, name (all given names), and patronymic (if any);
- 2) date of birth;
- 3) voting address (without specifying the postal code and country of residence or stay);
- 4) a record of permanent inability to move unassisted (where grounds exist) — in the "Notes" column.

7. A preliminary voter list for the regular all-Ukrainian referendum precinct shall be produced in paper form in a single copy, each sheet of which is to be attested by the signature of the head of the State Voter Register monitoring office and with the seal of this office affixed.

Article 55. Delivery of preliminary voter lists and personal invitations to all-Ukrainian referendum commissions at the regular all-Ukrainian referendum precincts

1. Not later than thirteen days before the voting date, the State Voter Register monitoring office shall deliver at its premises to the respective all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission a preliminary voter list in paper form and printed personal invitations.

2. On behalf of the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission, the preliminary voter list shall be accepted by at least three members of the commission, one of which must be the commission chairman, and, where unavailable, — by the deputy chairman or secretary of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission.

3. A statement of the preliminary voter list delivery shall be made in two copies according to the form established by the Central Election Commission. One copy of the statement shall be kept at the State Voter Register monitoring office, and the other — at the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission.

Article 56. Notifying voters about inclusion in preliminary voter lists

1. The State Voter Register monitoring office shall produce for each voter a personal invitation notifying him of the inclusion into a preliminary voter list at the regular all-Ukrainian referendum precinct, of the name of the all-Ukrainian referendum in which he is invited to vote, the address of the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct, its telephone number and working hours, as well as of the voting time and venue.

In the event that the all-Ukrainian referendum and local elections are held on the same date, the voter shall be forwarded a single notice of inclusion in the respective preliminary voter lists.

2. Those voters who have been recorded in the voter list as being permanently unable to move unassisted shall be simultaneously notified of an opportunity to vote at their place of stay.

3. The personal invitation form shall be approved by the Central Election Commission.

Article 57. Compiling and updating voter lists at the special all-Ukrainian referendum precincts

1. For the special all-Ukrainian referendum precincts set up at penitentiary institutions, the preliminary and updated voter lists shall be compiled by the State Voter Register monitoring offices and delivered in the manner and within the terms stipulated by this Law for the delivery of voter lists at the regular all-Ukrainian referendum precincts.

2. At the special all-Ukrainian referendum precincts set up at inpatient care facilities, on the ships sailing under the State Flag of Ukraine on the date of the all-Ukrainian referendum, at Ukraine's polar stations, detention centres or other locations for temporary stay of voters with restricted mobility, voter lists shall be compiled at least seven days before the voting date by the respective all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commissions according to the form established by the Central Election Commission on the basis of the information submitted by the heads of the respective facilities, institutions, Ukraine's polar station, and captains of the ships where such all-Ukrainian referendum precincts have been set up.

3. The information referred to in paragraph 2 of this Article shall be submitted in a single copy under the signature of the head of the respective facility, institution, Ukraine's polar station, the ship's captain, and shall be attested by the relevant seal. The head of the respective facility, institution, Ukraine's polar station, or the ship's captain shall ensure the authenticity and submission of the said information to the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission at least nine days before the voting date.

4. The submission shall be made in accordance with the form established by the Central Election Commission and should contain the following information about each voter:

- 1) last name, first name (all first names), patronymic (if any);
- 2) date of birth (date, month, year);
- 3) the voter's voting address;
- 4) where grounds exist, a record of permanent inability to move unassisted made in the "Notes" column.

Those voters that are to be discharged from an inpatient care facility before the voting date shall not be included into such information and the voter list at the respective special all-Ukrainian referendum precinct.

5. Upon compiling the voter list at the special all-Ukrainian referendum precinct, the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission shall immediately communicate to the relevant State Voter Register monitoring office at the commission's location the information about the voters included in the list.

Contents of the voter list at the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct set up on a ship sailing under the State Flag of Ukraine or at Ukraine's polar station shall be forwarded via technical means of communication to the respective all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission that shall immediately deliver them to the relevant State Voter Register monitoring office at the commission's location.

6. In the event that the voter has been taken to an inpatient care facility less than ten days before the voting date, but more than two days before the voting date, the respective all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission shall update the voter list by including such voter to the voter list on the basis of the information promptly submitted by the head of the respective facility, whose signature shall be attested by the seal of the respective facility.

7. The voter taken to an inpatient care facility at the same inhabited locality where he resides may apply to the respective regular all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission, at which he has been included in the voter list, for an opportunity to vote at his place of stay in the manner and within the terms stipulated by this Law. In this event, he shall not be included in the voter list at the special precinct.

8. Where a special precinct has been set up in an exceptional case, the voter list shall be compiled by the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission at least seven days before the voting date on the basis of the information submitted by the head of the respective facility, institution, the ship's captain, or commanding officer of the military unit (formation). The said information shall be submitted at least eight days before the voting date in a single copy under the signature of the head of the facility, institution, the ship's captain, or commanding officer of the military unit (formation), and shall be attested by the relevant seal. Upon compiling the voter list at such a precinct, the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission shall immediately communicate to the relevant State Voter Register monitoring office at the commission's location the information about the voters included in the list.

9. The voter shall be entitled to apply personally to the special all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission or directly to court in the matters concerning updates to the voter list.

10. The application referred to in paragraph 9 of this Article may be filed with the respective all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission at least two days before the voting date. This application shall be considered by the all-Ukrainian referendum commission without delay. Following the consideration of the application, the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission shall adopt either a decision to amend the voter list or a reasoned decision to deny such application. A copy of the decision shall be issued to the voter on the day of its adoption. Any application filed with the all-Ukrainian referendum commission after the above date shall be dismissed.

11. An administrative lawsuit for updating the voter list may be filed with a court in the manner and within the terms stipulated by the Code of Administrative Procedure of Ukraine.

12. Whenever amendments are made to the voter list at a special precinct, the special all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission shall immediately communicate to the relevant State Voter Register monitoring office the information about the voters included in or deleted from the voter list.

13. Where such information has been received later than five days before the voting date, and multiple inclusion of the voter in the voter list at another precinct has been discovered, the State Voter Register monitoring office shall immediately notify thereof the relevant all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission.

14. Members of the special all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission, who have the right to vote in the all-Ukrainian referendum, shall be included in the voter list at such precinct under a decision adopted by the relevant all-Ukrainian referendum commission to set up an all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission at this special precinct.

15. On the day preceding the voting date, upon making changes in accordance with this Article, the voter list at the special precinct shall be closed by crossing out blank columns for entering the voters' names in the voter list in a manner that would prevent inclusion of any additional voters in the list, shall be signed by the chairman or deputy chairman and secretary of the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission and attested by the seal of the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission.

16. No amendments to the updated voter list shall be made on the voting date.

17. On the voting date, the chairman, or the deputy chairman, or the secretary of the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission shall correct inaccuracies and clerical errors in the updated voter list, such as errors in the recorded surnames, first names (all given names), patronymics (if any), dates of birth, numbers of buildings and flats at the place of residence, provided that, despite these clerical errors, it should be obvious that it is precisely the voter who came to vote is included in the voter list at the special precinct. These corrections shall be attested by the signature of the chairman, or the deputy chairman, or the secretary of the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission made in the "Notes" column.

18. Not later than five days before the voting date, the voter may file an application with the State Voter Register monitoring office for inclusion in the voter list at a special precinct for electronic voting. This application may be filed by the voter either personally in paper form or electronically through the automated information and analysis system. The application in the electronic format shall be generated using a qualified electronic signature. Any statement filed after the above date shall be dismissed.

The form of the application for inclusion in the voter list at a special precinct for electronic voting shall be approved by the Central Election Commission.

Article 58. The procedure for inspecting the preliminary voter list at a regular election precinct by the voters and for removing irregularities in the voter list

1. The all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission at a regular all-Ukrainian referendum precinct shall make the preliminary voter list available for public inspection at the precinct commission's premises on the following day after the receipt thereof.

2. The all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission at a regular all-Ukrainian referendum precinct shall forward or otherwise deliver to each voter a personal invitation received from the State Voter Register monitoring office.

This personal invitation shall be forwarded or delivered at least ten days before the voting date.

3. The voter shall be entitled to inspect the preliminary voter list at the election precinct commission's premises and to verify the authenticity of the information contained in it.

Article 59. The procedure for amending preliminary voter lists

1. The voter may apply to the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission or directly to the State Voter Register monitoring office, requesting that the preliminary voter list be updated, as well as that he personally or other persons be included in or deleted from it, and also concerning the notes made or not made about the voter's inability to move unassisted.

2. The voter shall apply to the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission or directly to the State Voter Register monitoring office in the matters referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article. Should the voter be unable to file the application in person for reasons of health, the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission, upon appeal from such voter, shall ensure that the application is otherwise accepted from such voter.

Documents (or copies thereof) evidencing the information contained in the application shall be attached thereto.

3. The application referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article may be filed at least five days

before the voting date and shall be considered by the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission within a day. Any statement filed after the above date shall be dismissed.

4. Following the consideration of the application, the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission shall adopt a decision to refer such application to a State Voter Register monitoring office. A decision of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission, with the voter's application and documents (or copies thereof) attached to it, shall be immediately forwarded to the relevant State Voter Register monitoring office and, not later than the day following its adoption, shall be issued to the applicant and forwarded to a person whom it concerns (if other than the applicant).

5. The State Voter Register monitoring office shall ensure consideration of voters' application in the manner prescribed by the Law of Ukraine "On the State Voter Register". The applicant shall be notified of the findings from considering the appeal, along with the person whom it concerns (where the voter's appeal concerns another person).

6. A lawsuit for updating the voter list may be filed with a court in the manner prescribed by the Code of Administrative Procedure of Ukraine.

7. A court ruling on updating the voter list shall be submitted by the voter, at least five days before the voting date, to the relevant State Voter Register monitoring office or to the relevant all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission for subsequent immediate referral to such office, and after this date — to the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission.

Article 60. Updating preliminary voter lists at regular all-Ukrainian referendum precincts

1. On the basis of the information submitted under the Law of Ukraine "On the State Voter Register", decisions of the relevant all-Ukrainian referendum commissions concerning the establishment of the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commissions at special precincts (to the extent concerning the inclusion of the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commissions' members in the voter lists at the respective special precincts), and following the consideration of the voters' applications, notices from the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commissions at special precincts about inclusion of voters in the voter list at a special precinct, on the basis of applications from members of the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency and precinct commissions, submitted according to paragraph 2 of this Article, as well as court rulings received at least five days before the voting date, the State Voter Register monitoring office shall produce an updated voter list.

2. At least five days before the voting date in the all-Ukrainian referendum, members of the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency and precinct commissions shall submit to the State Voter Register monitoring office at the location of the respective precinct or at their voting address the application for a temporary change of the place of voting without changing the voting address. Members of the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commissions shall be included in the voter list at a precinct that is closest to the location of the respective all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission. Members of the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commissions shall be included in the voter list at a precinct where they have been included in the all-Ukrainian referendum commission.

3. A State Voter Register monitoring office that has received information about the voters included in a voter list independently compiled by a special all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission shall enter in the State Voter Register's database the relevant records concerning the voters that will not vote at their voting addresses because of their inclusion in voter lists at other precincts.

4. Updated voter lists for regular all-Ukrainian referendum precincts shall be produced by the State Voter Register monitoring offices in paper form in a single copy, according to the form established by the Central Election Commission, and shall contain a column for the voter's signature confirming the receipt of a ballot paper.

5. The updated voter lists shall be delivered to the relevant all-Ukrainian referendum

commissions at least two days before the voting date.

Article 61. Making amendments to the updated voter list by the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission at a regular all-Ukrainian referendum precinct

1. Amendments to the updated voter list shall be made by the chairman or deputy chairman and secretary of the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission on the basis of a court ruling, notices from the State Voter Register monitoring office about elimination of multiple inclusion of a voter in the voter list at this all-Ukrainian referendum precinct. These amendments may be made till 18.00 on the last Saturday before the voting date.

2. Where a voter is included in the voter list at the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct for an election precinct by way of amending the updated voter list, the information about the voter, as stipulated in the voter list form, shall be entered at the end of the voter list. The date and number of a court ruling shall also be recorded in the "Notes" column.

3. Persons wrongfully included in the voter list shall be deleted from it by crossing them out, which shall be attested by the "Deleted" comment and signatures of the chairman or deputy chairman and secretary of the all-Ukrainian referendum made in the "Notes" column. The date and number of a court ruling or of the State Voter Register monitoring office's notice shall also be recorded in the said column next to the voter's surname.

4. When amending the updated voter list pursuant to a court ruling, the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission shall immediately notify the relevant State Voter Register monitoring office about the voter's inclusion in or deletion from the voter list.

5. Where multiple inclusion of a voter in the updated voter lists has been discovered in connection with a notice received from the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission about the voter's inclusion in the voter list at another precinct, the State Voter Register monitoring office that is in receipt of such notice shall promptly notify thereof the relevant precinct commission that shall be required to delete such voter from the voter list at this precinct.

6. On the day preceding the voting date, upon making changes to the updated voter list on the basis of court rulings, notices from the State Voter Register monitoring office, the voter list shall be closed by crossing out blank columns for entering the voters' names in the voter list in a manner that would prevent inclusion of any additional voters in the list, shall be signed by the chairman or deputy chairman and secretary of the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission and attested by the seal of the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission.

7. No amendments to the updated voter list shall be made on the voting date.

8. On the voting date, the chairman, or the deputy chairman, or the secretary of the precinct commission shall correct inaccuracies and clerical errors in the updated voter list, such as errors in the recorded surnames, first names (all given names), patronymics (if any), dates of birth, numbers of buildings and flats at the place of residence, provided that, despite these clerical errors, it should be obvious that it is precisely the voter who came to the precinct to vote is included in the voter list. These corrections shall be attested by the signature of the chairman, or the deputy chairman, or the secretary of the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission made in the "Notes" column.

9. The information about the voters included in or deleted from the updated voter list, as stipulated by the list form, and also about the voters in whose respect amendments have been made in the updated voter list, or inaccuracies and clerical errors have been corrected in this list, shall be referred by the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission to the relevant State Voter Register monitoring office.

Article 62. The procedure for compiling and updating voter lists at the all-Ukrainian referendum overseas precincts

1. The State Voter Register monitoring office at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine shall compile preliminary voter lists for each all-Ukrainian referendum overseas precinct under the Law of Ukraine "On the State Voter Register". The form of the preliminary voter list shall be established by the Central Election Commission.

2. The preliminary voter list at the all-Ukrainian referendum overseas precinct shall include citizens of Ukraine who have reached or, as of the voting date, will have reached 18 years of age, who have the right to vote in the elections and whose voting address is outside of Ukraine.

The information on voters in the voter list at the all-Ukrainian referendum overseas precinct shall be arranged in a manner that is convenient for conducting the voting.

3. The preliminary voter list for the all-Ukrainian referendum overseas precinct shall be electronically delivered to the relevant all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission at least thirteen days before the voting date.

4. The all-Ukrainian referendum overseas precinct commission shall make the preliminary voter list available for public inspection in paper form at the precinct commission's premises on the following day after the receipt thereof.

5. A voter may personally file a statement of irregularities in the preliminary voter list at the all-Ukrainian referendum overseas precinct, with the necessary documents (or copies thereof) attached, with the relevant all-Ukrainian referendum precinct at least five days before the voting date (Kyiv time), which shall be considered by the commission within one day. Any statement filed after the above date shall be dismissed.

6. The voter's statement referred to in paragraph 5 of this Article shall be immediately delivered via the relevant foreign diplomatic institution of Ukraine to the State Voter Register monitoring office at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine.

The foreign diplomatic institution of Ukraine shall also forward a copy of this statement to the State Voter Register monitoring office at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine via technical means of communication.

7. The State Voter Register monitoring office at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine shall produce an updated voter list on the basis of the information submitted under the Law of Ukraine "On the State Voter Register" and following the consideration of the voters' statements.

Updated voter lists shall be delivered both in paper form and electronically to the relevant all-Ukrainian referendum overseas precinct commissions at least two days before the voting date.

8. On the day preceding the voting date, upon making changes in accordance with this Article, the voter list at the overseas precinct shall be closed by crossing out blank columns for entering the voters' names in the voter list in a manner that would prevent inclusion of any additional voters in the list, shall be signed by the chairman or deputy chairman and secretary of the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission and attested by the seal of the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission.

9. No amendments to the updated voter list at the all-Ukrainian referendum overseas precinct shall be made on the voting date.

10. On the voting date, the chairman, or the deputy chairman, or the secretary of the all-Ukrainian referendum overseas precinct commission shall correct inaccuracies and clerical errors in the updated voter list, such as errors in the recorded surnames, first names (all given names), patronymics (if any), dates of birth, numbers of buildings and flats at the place of residence, provided that, despite these clerical errors, it should be obvious that it is precisely the voter who came to vote at the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct is included in the voter list. These corrections shall be attested by the signature of the chairman, or the deputy chairman, or the secretary of the precinct election commission made in the "Notes" column.

Article 63. Temporary changes to the place of voting without changing the voting address

1. Upon application by a voter who has the right to vote in the all-Ukrainian referendum, including a voter who has been flagged in the State Voter Register as departed from the relevant territory, the State Voter Register monitoring office may temporarily (for the duration of the all-Ukrainian referendum process) change the place of voting (the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct) for the voter without changing his voting address. This application may be filed by the voter in paper form or electronically with the State Voter Register monitoring office at least five days before the voting date, using the electronic identification means defined by law. The procedure for filing and considering an application for temporary change to the place of voting shall be determined by the Central Election Commission.
2. The procedure for temporarily changing the voter's place of voting shall not apply to special all-Ukrainian referendum precincts.

CHAPTER VI**FINANCIAL AND LOGISTICAL SUPPORT FOR PREPARING AND HOLDING THE ALL-UKRAINIAN REFERENDUM****Article 64. General principles of financial support for the all-Ukrainian referendum**

1. Costs of preparing and holding the all-Ukrainian referendum shall only be paid from the State Budget of Ukraine, which have been allocated for preparing and holding the all-Ukrainian referendum, and from the funds set up by the all-Ukrainian referendum process entities, as stipulated in paragraph 2 of this Article.
2. The initiative team (where the all-Ukrainian referendum is held at popular initiative), political party, or civil society organisation registered as a proponent or opponent of the question in the all-Ukrainian referendum under this Law shall be required to set up, in the manner prescribed by this Law, their own fund to finance their campaigning in the all-Ukrainian referendum.
3. Campaign events or materials of the all-Ukrainian referendum may not be funded from the sources not stipulated in this Article.

Article 65. Financial support for preparing and holding the all-Ukrainian referendum

1. Funding shall commence on the day following the official promulgation of the decree of the President of Ukraine on calling (announcing) thereof, or of the resolution of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine on calling thereof.
2. Financial support for preparing and holding the all-Ukrainian referendum with appropriations from the State Budget of Ukraine, which have been allocated for preparing and holding the all-Ukrainian referendum, shall be provided by the Central Election Commission which shall be the main spending unit.
3. The amount of appropriations required to prepare and hold the all-Ukrainian referendum upon submission from the Central Election Commission shall be listed annually as a separate line in the law on the State Budget of Ukraine. In the event that the all-Ukrainian referendum is not held in the current year, the appropriations earmarked in the State Budget of Ukraine for these purposes shall be reallocated, not later than the start of the fourth quarter in the respective budget year, under the decision of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine for other needs stipulated in the State budget of Ukraine.
4. The appropriations earmarked in the State Budget of Ukraine for preparing and holding the all-Ukrainian referendum shall be transferred to the Central Election Commission within three days from adopting a decision to call (announce) the all-Ukrainian referendum. Costs of

preparing and holding the all-Ukrainian referendum shall be covered by the Central Election Commission, regional and territorial representative offices of the Central Election Commission according to the budget estimates approved by the Central Election Commission within the appropriations earmarked in the State Budget of Ukraine for preparing and holding the all-Ukrainian referendum.

5. The Central Election Commission shall approve average expenditures to meet the needs of the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commission and the all-Ukrainian referendum precinct commission, which shall include, in particular, costs of hiring (renting) the commissions' premises and using technical facilities, as well as remunerating the commission members and persons engaged in the commissions' work.

6. The uniform budget estimate for preparing and holding the all-Ukrainian referendum shall be approved by the Central Election Commission.

7. The all-Ukrainian referendum shall be funded from the State Budget of Ukraine in the manner established by the Central Election Commission jointly with an executive authority charged with shaping the State financial policy.

8. A territorial representative office of the Central Election Commission, within five days after the outcome of the all-Ukrainian referendum has been officially made public, shall remit to the Central Election Commission's account any undisbursed appropriations allocated for preparing and holding the all-Ukrainian referendum from the State Budget of Ukraine. The central executive authority that implements the State policy in the field of treasury management of budgetary funds shall notify the Central Election Commission within three days of the appropriations remitted to its account.

9. A territorial representative office of the Central Election Commission, within fifteen days after the outcome of the all-Ukrainian referendum has been officially made public, shall draw up and file with the regional representative office of the Central Election Commission, in the manner prescribed by the Central Election Commission and according to the form approved by the Central Election Commission with the consent of the central executive authority that implements the State policy in the field of treasury management of budgetary funds, a financial statement of the appropriations received from the State Budget of Ukraine and disbursed to prepare and hold the all-Ukrainian referendum.

10. The appropriate and intended use of the appropriations from the State Budget of Ukraine to prepare and hold the all-Ukrainian referendum shall be monitored by the Central Election Commission, state financial control authorities and the central executive authority that implements the State policy in the field of treasury management of budgetary funds, in the manner prescribed by the Central Election Commission with the consent of the central executive authority that shapes and implements the State policy in the field of financial control, and of the central executive authority that implements the State policy in the field of treasury management of budgetary funds.

Article 66. Logistical support for preparing and holding the all-Ukrainian referendum

1. Local executive authorities, local self-government authorities or other authorities (officers) that exercise their powers under the law, their officers and officials shall be required to assist all-Ukrainian referendum commissions in the exercise of their powers:

- 1) provide them with the necessary premises to organise their work and conduct voting in compliance with this Law and the equipping standards for such premises, as established by the Central Election Commission. In exceptional circumstances, to ensure proper operation of the all-Ukrainian referendum constituency commissions, premises for such commissions, upon submissions from the heads of oblast state administrations, may be provided beyond the boundaries of the respective territorial constituency;
- 2) ensure their security and protection of the all-Ukrainian referendum ballot

papers and other documentation;

3) provide, in accordance with the standards established by the Central Election Commission, vehicles, communication facilities, equipment, implements, office equipment, which shall be returned after the powers of the all-Ukrainian referendum commissions have been terminated.

The procedure for payment and reimbursement of the said services shall be established by the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine.

2. At least eight days before the date of the all-Ukrainian referendum, authorities of the National Police of Ukraine shall provide round-the-clock security services at the all-Ukrainian referendum commission's premises and, where necessary, — at the State Voter Register monitoring offices upon application from the Central Election Commission.

Article 67. Remunerating the members of all-Ukrainian referendum commissions and the persons engaged in the support of their operation

1. Work of a member of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission, who exercises his powers in the all-Ukrainian referendum commission on a paid basis, shall be remunerated with the appropriations from the State Budget of Ukraine, allocated to prepare and hold the all-Ukrainian referendum, in the amount and manner determined by the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine upon submission of the Central Election Commission.

2. Remuneration of a member of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission, who has been relieved from the performance of either production or official duties at his primary place of employment, may not be lower than his average salary at the primary place of employment. Remuneration of a member of the all-Ukrainian referendum commission, who is retired or temporarily unemployed, may not be lower than the minimum wage established as of the date of the accrual thereof.

3. Within the overall savings in the salary budget under the respective commission's budget estimate for preparing and holding the all-Ukrainian referendum, lump-sum remuneration may accrue and be paid to members of the all-Ukrainian referendum commissions in the manner established by the Central Election Commission.

4. Work by members of the all-Ukrainian referendum commissions (including retired or temporarily unemployed persons) on the voting date and on the days when the outcome of the vote is being established shall be remunerated in the amount and manner determined by the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine upon submission of the Central Election Commission.

5. Work by the external specialists, experts and technical personnel referred to in Article 49.17 of this Law shall be remunerated in the amount and manner determined by the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine with the appropriations allocated from the State Budget of Ukraine to prepare and hold the all-Ukrainian referendum. Remuneration of these specialists may not be lower than the minimum wage established as of the starting date of the all-Ukrainian referendum process.

6. Performance of work associated with preparing and holding the all-Ukrainian referendum by members of the all-Ukrainian referendum commissions or by external specialists, experts and technical personnel, who have been recognised as unemployed in the manner prescribed by law, shall not constitute grounds for terminating registration of these persons with the state employment service as job seekers or for suspending their unemployment benefits or other types of benefits.

7. Remuneration paid to members of the all-Ukrainian referendum commissions, external specialists, experts and technical personnel, including on the voting date and on the days when the outcome of the vote is being established, shall not constitute grounds for revoking, restricting or reducing any types of welfare payments, pensions or subsidies payable to them or to members of their families who live together with them, in order to reimburse the cost of housing and communal services, etc.

Article 68. The all-Ukrainian referendum fund of the all-Ukrainian referendum process entity

1. For the purpose of funding its campaigning in the all-Ukrainian referendum, the political party or civil society organisation, registered as a proponent or opponent of the question in the all-Ukrainian referendum under this Law, shall be required to open, within ten days from being registered as a proponent or opponent of the question in the all-Ukrainian referendum, an account for their all-Ukrainian referendum fund.
2. The all-Ukrainian referendum fund of the political party or civil society organisation registered as a proponent or opponent of the question in the all-Ukrainian referendum may only have one accumulating account opened with a Ukrainian banking institution selected at its discretion, and in the national currency only, to receive proceeds to finance campaigning, and a maximum of one current account to pay the costs of campaigning, opened with a bank within the territorial election constituency. Proceeds may only be remitted to the all-Ukrainian referendum fund of the political party or civil society organisation registered as a proponent or opponent of the question in the all-Ukrainian referendum from the respective political party's or civil society organisation's accumulating account of the all-Ukrainian referendum fund.
3. A copy of the Central Election Commission's decision to register the political party or civil society organisation as a proponent or opponent of the question in the all-Ukrainian referendum shall constitute grounds for opening an accumulating account of the all-Ukrainian referendum fund.
4. A certificate from a banking institution of an opened accumulating account of the all-Ukrainian referendum fund shall constitute grounds for opening a current account of the all-Ukrainian referendum fund.
5. Where the all-Ukrainian referendum has been announced, the account of the initiative team fund shall be used as the initiative team's accumulating account of the all-Ukrainian referendum fund.
6. The initiative team shall be entitled to open current accounts of its all-Ukrainian referendum fund with Ukrainian banking institutions, with one current account per each all-Ukrainian referendum territorial constituency allowed. One current account of the all-Ukrainian referendum fund may serve several all-Ukrainian referendum territorial constituencies.
7. The all-Ukrainian referendum fund may not exceed twenty thousand minimal wages established as of January 1 in the year of holding the all-Ukrainian referendum.

Article 69. Opening, operating, and closing the all-Ukrainian referendum fund accounts

1. The procedure for opening and closing the all-Ukrainian referendum fund accounts by the political party or civil society organisation registered as a proponent or opponent of the question in the all-Ukrainian referendum or by the initiative team shall be established by the National Bank of Ukraine with the prior consent of the Central Election Commission. This procedure may not be changed in the course of the all-Ukrainian referendum.
2. Not later than the following business day from opening the accumulating or current account of the all-Ukrainian referendum fund, the banking institution shall notify in writing the Central Election Commission and the National Agency on Corruption Prevention of the relevant account opened and the details thereof.
3. The information about the accumulating account of the all-Ukrainian referendum fund, opened by the political party registered as a proponent or opponent of the question in the all-Ukrainian referendum, and its details shall be made public on the Central Election Commission's official website not later than on the second day from receiving the bank's notice of the respective account opened by the all-Ukrainian referendum process entity. The respective all-Ukrainian referendum process entity shall publish the information about the details of the accumulating account of its all-Ukrainian referendum fund in printed media using

the proceeds from this fund.

4. Proceeds in current accounts of the all-Ukrainian referendum fund shall be expended in cashless form.
5. Expenditure of proceeds in current accounts of the all-Ukrainian referendum fund shall cease at 18.00 of the last day before the voting date.
6. Proceeds in the all-Ukrainian referendum fund accounts may not be seized.
7. Closing the all-Ukrainian referendum fund accounts or ceasing transactions in the all-Ukrainian referendum fund accounts before the date referred to in paragraph 5 of this Article shall not be allowed.

Article 70. The initiative team fund

1. The initiative team, in order to finance measures to prepare and conduct collection of voters' signatures in support of the all-Ukrainian referendum initiative and conduct campaigning for the initiative, shall set up the initiative team fund.
2. The initiative team fund account shall be opened within ten days from the initiative team registration according to the procedure for opening the all-Ukrainian referendum fund account under Article 69.1 of this Law, on the grounds of a copy of the Central Election Commission's decision to register the initiative team.
3. Proceeds in the initiative team fund shall be raised from personal resources of the initiative team members, as well as from voluntary donations made by the persons entitled to make contributions to support political parties under the Law of Ukraine "On Political Parties in Ukraine".

The size of the initiative team fund is not limited.

4. Voluntary donations made by persons to the initiative team fund shall be limited by the maximum size of the contribution in support of a political party allowed during the year by the Law of Ukraine "On Political Parties in Ukraine". The number and size of contributions from the initiative team members is not limited.

Where a natural or legal person exerts or may exert decisive influence on the operation of one or more legal entities (is, in particular, the ultimate beneficial owner (controlling party) of such legal entity), contributions from such natural or legal person or legal entities controlled by it shall be regarded as contribution from a single person and shall be limited by the maximum size of the contribution in support of a political party allowed during the year by the Law of Ukraine "On Political Parties in Ukraine".

Other than stipulated by this Article, any restrictions, including those imposed by financial and banking laws, shall not apply to setting up the initiative team fund.

5. The initiative team fund shall have a single account. For the purposes referred to in paragraph one of this Article, proceeds in the account of the all-Ukrainian referendum fund shall be received and expended in cashless form only.
6. Not later than the following business day from opening the initiative team fund account, the banking institution shall notify in writing the Central Election Commission and the National Agency on Corruption Prevention of the account opened and the details thereof.

The information about the initiative team fund account and its details shall be made public on the Central Election Commission's official website not later than on the second day from receiving the bank's notice of the respective account opened. This information may be made public by the initiative team in the media using the proceeds from the initiative team fund.

7. The initiative team shall appoint from among its members an administrator of its initiative team fund account, who shall have the sole right to carry out transactions in the fund

account.

8. Proceeds of the initiative team fund may only be used to finance the production of signature sheets, to provide administrative support for collection of signatures or for initiative campaigning. Proceeds of the initiative team fund may not be used to remunerate the initiative team members, signature collectors or other persons.

9. Proceeds in the initiative team fund accounts may not be seized.

10. Disbursement of proceeds in the initiative team fund account shall cease on the end date established by this Law for collection of signatures.

11. In the event that the initiative for holding the all-Ukrainian referendum has been terminated on the grounds set forth in this Law, the banking institution shall close the initiative team fund account pursuant to the Central Election Commission's written notice. The Central Election Commission shall forward this notice not earlier than on the seventh day from adopting the respective decision (or upon a court ruling becoming effective, where an appeal has been filed against the said decision). Within five days from the receipt of the said notice, the banking institution shall close the initiative team fund account and remit any undisbursed fund proceeds to the State Budget of Ukraine.

12. Within ten days from the expiry of the period for collection of signatures, the accumulating account administrator of the initiative team fund shall submit to the Central Election Commission and the National Agency on Corruption Prevention a financial statement drawn up according to the form established by the Central Election Commission with the consent of the National Agency on Corruption Prevention.

13. Where the all-Ukrainian referendum has been announced, the proceeds of the initiative team fund kept in the relevant account shall remain, within the amount referred to in Article 68.7 of this Law, in the said account, while any surplus proceeds shall be remitted to the State Budget of Ukraine.

Article 71. Administrators of the all-Ukrainian referendum fund of the all-Ukrainian referendum process entity

1. Each all-Ukrainian referendum process entity, as defined in Article 64.2 of this Law, shall appoint one accumulating account administrator for its all-Ukrainian referendum fund, who shall have the sole right to dispose of proceeds in the accumulating account of such all-Ukrainian referendum fund.

2. Not later than the following day after the accumulating account of the all-Ukrainian referendum fund has been opened, the all-Ukrainian referendum process entity shall notify the Central Election Commission and the National Agency on Corruption Prevention About of the appointment of the accumulating account administrator for its all-Ukrainian referendum fund, indicating his surname, name, patronymic, date of birth, place of residence or stay, and providing the information about the documents that evidence his identity and citizenship of Ukraine. The notice from the all-Ukrainian referendum process entity shall be signed by the initiative team's authorised person. A handwritten statement of consent by a citizen of Ukraine to being appointed the accumulating account administrator shall be attached to the notice.

3. The all-Ukrainian referendum process entity shall appoint one accumulating account administrator of its all-Ukrainian referendum fund for each current account of such fund. The current account administrator of the all-Ukrainian referendum fund shall have the sole right to dispose of proceeds in the respective current account of the all-Ukrainian referendum fund.

4. The accumulating account administrator of the all-Ukrainian referendum process entity's fund shall be required to keep record of the proceeds received and distributed in the all-Ukrainian referendum fund of the all-Ukrainian referendum process entity between current accounts of this fund.

At least eight days before the voting date, the current account administrator of the all-Ukrainian referendum fund shall be required to deliver to the accumulating account administrator of the all-Ukrainian referendum fund an interim financial statement of the proceeds disbursed in the respective current account of the all-Ukrainian referendum fund for the period between the date of opening the fund's current account and twelve days before the voting date.

Within seven days from the election date, the current account administrator of the all-Ukrainian referendum fund shall be required to deliver to the accumulating account administrator of the all-Ukrainian referendum fund a final financial statement of the proceeds disbursed in the respective current account of the all-Ukrainian referendum fund.

Current account administrators of the all-Ukrainian referendum fund shall ensure observance of financial discipline and intended use of the all-Ukrainian referendum fund's resources.

5. At least five days before the voting date, the accumulating account administrator of the all-Ukrainian referendum fund shall be required to deliver (both in paper form and electronically) to the Central Election Commission and the National Agency on Corruption Prevention an interim financial statement of the revenues and expenditures in the all-Ukrainian referendum fund for the period between the date of opening the all-Ukrainian referendum fund's accumulating account and twelve days before the voting date, which shall be made public on the official websites of the Central Election Commission and the National Agency on Corruption Prevention not later than the day following the receipt thereof.

The accumulating account administrator of the all-Ukrainian referendum fund shall, within fifteen days from the voting date, submit (both in paper form and electronically) to the Central Election Commission and the National Agency on Corruption Prevention a final financial statement of the revenues and expenditures in the all-Ukrainian referendum fund, which shall be made public on the official websites of the Central Election Commission and the National Agency on Corruption Prevention not later than the day following the receipt thereof.

The financial statements referred to in this paragraph must disclose the individual's surname, name, patronymic and place of residence (oblast, district, inhabited locality). Other restricted information about the individual may not be disclosed.

6. The review of the financial statements referred to in paragraph 5 of this Article shall be performed by the Central Election Commission and the National Agency on Corruption Prevention, and shall include determination of compliance of the statement data with this Law, timeliness of submitting the statements and conformity of the statement data with the information received from the banks where the all-Ukrainian referendum fund accounts are opened.

At least two days before the voting date, the Central Election Commission and the National Agency on Corruption Prevention shall make public on their official websites the review of the financial statements referred to in the first indent of paragraph 5 of this Article and, within thirty days from the voting date, — the review of the financial statements referred to in the second indent of paragraph 5 of this Article.

In the event that indications of non-compliance with this Law have been identified following the review of the financial statements, the Central Election Commission and the National Agency on Corruption Prevention shall notify thereof the relevant law enforcement authorities for the purpose of conducting an inspection and responding in accordance with the law.

7. The financial statements referred to in paragraphs 4 and 5 of this Article must reflect the information about all the revenues in the all-Ukrainian referendum accumulating and current accounts, expenditures and balances in the respective accounts, including the information on the date of each contribution made to the all-Ukrainian referendum fund, its amount, the contributor to the fund's respective account (indicating the information about the contributor to the fund, as prescribed by the Law of Ukraine "On Political Parties in Ukraine" in respect of the contributors in support of a political party), the name of the political party or civil society organisation (where the political party or civil society organisation is the

contributor), the purpose, date and amount of each payment from the fund's relevant account, the recipient of each payment (including the information about the payment recipient, as prescribed by the Law of Ukraine "On Political Parties in Ukraine").

8. The format of the financial statements referred to in paragraphs 4 and 5 of this Article, and the procedure for the review thereof shall be established by the Central Election Commission with the consent of the National Agency on Corruption Prevention.

Article 72. Setting up the all-Ukrainian referendum process entity's fund and disbursing its proceeds

1. The all-Ukrainian referendum fund of a political party registered as a proponent or opponent of the question in the all-Ukrainian referendum shall be set up with the political party's own resources, as well as from voluntary donations made by the persons entitled to make contributions to support political parties under the Law of Ukraine "On Political Parties in Ukraine".

2. The all-Ukrainian referendum fund of the initiative team shall be set up with the balance in the initiative team's fund, referred to in Article 70.13 of this Law, from personal resources of the initiative team members, as well as from voluntary donations made by the persons entitled to make contributions to support political parties under the Law of Ukraine "On Political Parties in Ukraine".

The number and size of contributions from the initiative team members is not limited.

3. The all-Ukrainian referendum fund of a civil society organisation registered as a proponent or opponent of the question in the all-Ukrainian referendum shall be set up with the civil society organisation's own resources (other than appropriations from the State Budget of Ukraine, local budgets, international technical assistance programmes and projects, grant agreements accepted by the organisation either directly or through other persons), as well as from voluntary donations made by the persons entitled to make contributions to support political parties under the Law of Ukraine "On Political Parties in Ukraine".

4. Voluntary donations made by persons to the fund of the initiative team, political party or civil society organisation registered as a proponent or opponent of the question in the all-Ukrainian referendum shall be limited by the maximum size of the contribution in support of a political party allowed during the year by the Law of Ukraine "On Political Parties in Ukraine".

5. Where a natural or legal person exerts or may exert decisive influence on the operation of one or more legal entities (is, in particular, the ultimate beneficial owner (controlling party) of such legal entity), contributions from such natural or legal person or legal entities controlled by it shall be regarded as contribution from a single person and shall be limited by the maximum size of the contribution in support of a political party allowed during the year by the Law of Ukraine "On Political Parties in Ukraine".

Other than stipulated by this Article, any restrictions, including those imposed by financial and banking laws, shall not apply to setting up the initiative team fund.

6. The political party's own resources remitted to its all-Ukrainian referendum fund of the all-Ukrainian referendum process entity must be reflected in the political party's annual statement of income and expenses, as stipulated by the Law of Ukraine "On Political Parties in Ukraine".

7. The civil society organisation's own resources remitted to its all-Ukrainian referendum fund of the all-Ukrainian referendum process entity must be reflected in the organisation's financial and tax statements.

8. Persons not entitled to make contributions to support political parties under the Law of Ukraine "On Political Parties in Ukraine" shall not be allowed to make voluntary donations to the all-Ukrainian referendum fund.

9. A voluntary donation by a citizen of Ukraine to the all-Ukrainian referendum fund shall be accepted by a bank or post office, subject to presentation by such person of a document referred to in Articles 6.3.1 of 6.3.2 of this Law or of the original document evidencing his registration with the State Register of Individual Taxpayers (excluding persons who, because of their religious beliefs, have refused to accept the registration number of the taxpayer record card, have notified thereof the relevant supervisory authority and have a respective note made in their passports). The payment document must also indicate the surname, name, patronymic, date of birth, place of residence, as well as registration number of the taxpayer record card (excluding persons who, because of their religious beliefs, have refused to accept the registration number of the taxpayer record card, have notified thereof the relevant supervisory authority and have a respective note made in their passports), and the payment amount (sum).

10. The voluntary donation shall be remitted by the bank or post office to the all-Ukrainian referendum fund accumulating account of the respective all-Ukrainian referendum process entity not later than the following business day after the receipt of the relevant payment document. The overall period of cashless transfer should not exceed two banking days for a contribution in the all-Ukrainian referendum fund accumulating account.

11. The accumulating account administrator of the all-Ukrainian referendum fund shall be entitled to reject the person's contribution, of which a relevant statement with a payment document attached shall be submitted by him to the banking institution where the all-Ukrainian referendum fund accumulating account has been opened. This voluntary donation shall be refunded to a natural person out of his voluntary donation or, where such refund is impossible, shall be remitted to the State Budget of Ukraine.

12. Where a voluntary donation has been received from a person in excess of the amount set forth in paragraph 4 of this Article, the amount exceeding the sum established for the donation shall be refunded, on the basis of the relevant application and payment document filed by the accumulating account administrator of the all-Ukrainian referendum fund, to the natural person out of such voluntary donation by the banking institution where the all-Ukrainian referendum fund accumulating account has been opened or, where such refund is impossible, shall be remitted to the State Budget of Ukraine.

13. The accumulating account administrator of the all-Ukrainian referendum fund shall reject a voluntary donation from a person, where the administrator is aware that such person is not entitled to make the voluntary donation under this Law. On the basis of the administrator's application rejecting the donation for this reason, the banking institution where the all-Ukrainian referendum fund account has been opened shall remit such voluntary donation to the State Budget of Ukraine. Where the accumulating account administrator of the all-Ukrainian referendum fund becomes aware that the person making a voluntary donation was not entitled to it, he shall be required, within three days from becoming aware thereof, to reject such donation by filing an application with the banking institution where the all-Ukrainian referendum fund accumulating account has been opened for remitting the respective amount to the State Budget of Ukraine.

14. On the basis of the respective application from the accumulating account administrator of the all-Ukrainian referendum fund, the banking institution where the all-Ukrainian referendum fund accumulating account has been opened shall remit this amount from the accumulating account to the current accounts held by the same all-Ukrainian referendum fund.

15. Within five days from the voting date, the banking institution where the all-Ukrainian referendum fund current account has been opened shall remit any proceeds undisbursed by the all-Ukrainian referendum process entity to the accumulating account held by the respective all-Ukrainian referendum fund.

16. Any undisbursed proceeds in the all-Ukrainian referendum fund shall be remitted, on the fifteenth day after the outcome of the all-Ukrainian referendum has been officially made

public by the Central Election Commission, to the State Budget of Ukraine by the banking institution where the fund's accumulating account has been opened.

17. Any undisbursed proceeds in the all-Ukrainian referendum fund of a political party or civil society organisation shall be remitted, upon application by the governing body of the political party, to be filed with the banking institution within ten days after the outcome of the all-Ukrainian referendum has been officially made public, from the all-Ukrainian referendum fund accumulating account to the current bank account held by the political party or civil society organisation, respectively, within five days from the receipt of the said application. In the event that such application has not been received by the banking institution within the prescribed period, the undisbursed proceeds in the all-Ukrainian referendum fund of the political party or civil society organisation shall be remitted by the bank to the State Budget of Ukraine on the fifteenth day after the outcome of the all-Ukrainian referendum has been officially made public by the Central Election Commission.

18. Voluntary donations from natural persons that have been received in the all-Ukrainian referendum fund accumulating account later than one day before the voting date shall be refunded by the banking institution to the respective natural persons out of such voluntary donations or, where such refund is impossible, shall be remitted to the State Budget of Ukraine.

Article 73. Monitoring the funds of the all-Ukrainian referendum process entities

1. Funds of the all-Ukrainian referendum process entities shall be monitored by the Central Election Commission, the National Agency on Corruption Prevention (for the political parties' all-Ukrainian referendum funds), and the bank where the election fund account is opened, according to the procedure established by the Central Election Commission jointly with the National Bank of Ukraine with the consent of the National Agency on Corruption Prevention at least fifty-seven days before the voting date.

2. The bank where the relevant all-Ukrainian referendum fund account is opened shall provide the Central Election Commission and the National Agency on Corruption Prevention (for the political parties' all-Ukrainian referendum funds) on a weekly (daily) basis or at their request with the information about the amount and sources of contributions to the all-Ukrainian referendum fund accounts, the cash flow and balance in the accounts. The mechanism for the provision of the said information is defined by a procedure to be established under paragraph 1 of this Article.

3. The National Agency on Corruption Prevention shall monitor the timeliness of reports of revenues and expenditures in the political parties' all-Ukrainian referendum funds, the completeness of such reports and the authenticity of information included therein.

SECTION VII

GUARANTEES FOR THE OPERATION OF THE PARTIES TO THE ALL-UKRAINIAN REFERENDUM PROCESS, INTERNATIONAL OBSERVERS

Article 74. Supporters and opponents of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue

1. Political parties, public organizations may participate in the All-Ukrainian referendum process as its parties in case of registration as supporters or opponents of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue.
2. The registration of political parties, public organizations as supporters or opponents of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue is carried out by the Central Election Commission according to the procedure stipulated by Article 75 of this Law.

3. The initiative group is a party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process as a supporter of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue.

Article 75. The registration procedure for political parties, public organizations as supporters or opponents of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue

1. Application for registration of the political party, public organization as a party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process – the supporter or opponent of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue – and other documents provided for by this Article may be submitted to the Central Election Commission after the All-Ukrainian referendum process is initiated but not later than forty days before the voting day.
2. The Application specified in Part One of this Article is signed and sealed by the head of the political party, public organization. The Application specifies whether the political party participates in the All-Ukrainian referendum process as the supporter or opponent of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue.
3. The Application specified in Part One and Two of this Article shall have attached thereto:
 - 1) copies of the Certificate of Registration as a Political Party notarized according to the procedure stipulated by the Law of Ukraine "On Notary" after the All-Ukrainian referendum process is initiated;
 - 2) decision of the central steering body of the political party on the participation in the All-Ukrainian referendum process as the supporter or opponent of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue adopted according to the Charter of the political party and signed by the head of the political party and bearing the seal of this political party;
 - 3) rationale for the position concerning the question in the all-Ukrainian referendum.

The rationale for the position concerning the question in the all-Ukrainian referendum shall contain an assessment of the statements made by the initiative team, other entities of the all-Ukrainian referendum process concerning: the definition and analysis of the problem proposed to be resolved by the decision of the Ukrainian people at the all-Ukrainian referendum on approval (adoption, support) or refusal to approve (adopt, support) a relevant draft law (law, issue) set to the referendum; the definition of the objectives of such a decision; the definition of the expected social and economic, legal and other consequences of such a decision; the rationale for the possibility of achieving the set objectives. The calls to vote "for" or "against" the question in the all-Ukrainian referendum shall not be allowed in the rationale for the position concerning the question in the all-Ukrainian referendum.
4. The Application of the public organization specified in Part One and Two of this Article shall have attached thereto:
 - 1) the document verifying the status of the public organization as a legal entity;
 - 2) the copy of the Charter of the public organization signed and sealed by the its head;
 - 3) decision of the highest management body of the public organization on the participation in the All-Ukrainian referendum process as the supporter or opponent of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue adopted according to the Charter of the public organization and signed by the authorized person of the public organization and bearing its seal.
5. The Central Election Commission issues to the representative of the political party, public organization that submitted documents specified in Part One-Four of this Article the certificate on their acceptance. The certificate shall include the list of the documents accepted, the day, month and year as well as time of their acceptance, position and surname of the person that accepted the documents.
6. The Central Election Commission no later than the third day after the acceptance day of the application for registration of the political party as the supporter or opponent of the All-

Ukrainian referendum issue and documents specified in this Article adopts a decision on registration of the political party as the supporter or opponent of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue.

7. In case of non-compliance in the documents submitted for registration as the supporter or opponent of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue with the requirements of this Law and/or Charter of the political party, public organization, the Central Election Commission within the time limit prescribed by Part Six of this Article adopts a decision on the return of the submitted documents to the political party, public organization indicating the numerous clausus of the non-compliance features. The specified decision together with the documents submitted no later than the day following the acceptance day are provided to the representative of the political party, public organization who submitted the documents.

Errors and inaccuracies detected in the registration documents submitted by the political party, public organization, if their occurrence is not an obstacle to understanding the content of the data provided, shall be amended or clarified according to the procedure established by the Central Election Commission and shall not be the grounds for the return of the submitted documents to the political party, public organization.

8. The political party, public organization that got the documents back, according to Part Seven of this Article may re-submit the application and relevant documents within the time limit established by Part One of this Article.
9. If in the documents of the political party, public organization re-submitted according to Part Seven of this Article, the Central Election Commission detects non-compliance with the requirements of this Law and/or Charter of the political party, public organization specified in the previous decision of the Central Election Commission adopted according to Part Seven of this Article, the Central Election Commission shall refuse the registration of the political party, public organization as the supporter or opponent of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue.
10. The refusal to register the political party, public organization as the supporter or opponent of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue, return of the documents according to Part Seven of this Article may be appealed to the court according to the procedure specified in the Code of Administrative Procedure of Ukraine.
11. The public organization that received a permission from the Central Election Commission to have official observers at the All-Ukrainian referendum shall not be registered thereafter as the supporter or opponent of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue.
12. Documents of the political party, public organization submitted after the time specified by Part One of this Article are returned by the Central Election Commission without consideration.

Article 76. A representative of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process in the Central Election Commission, authorized persons of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process

1. The political party, public organization registered as the supporter or opponent of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue as well as the initiative group shall have no more than five authorized persons in the nation-wide district of the All-Ukrainian referendum and no more than two persons in each territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum. Powers of the authorized persons in the nation-wide district of the All-Ukrainian referendum shall extend to the foreign district of the All-Ukrainian referendum.

The political party, public organization registered as the supporter or opponent of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue as well as the initiative group are entitled to delegate one representative to the Central Election Commission (hereinafter – the representative of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process in the Central Election Commission) in a consultative capacity that is authorized to represent the interests of the political party, public organization, initiative group in the Central Election Commission during the All-Ukrainian referendum process. The representative of the political party, public organization, initiative

group in the Central Election Commission is approved by the central steering body of the political party, public organization, initiative group respectively.

2. The representative of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process in the Central Election Commission, authorized person of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process may be a citizen of Ukraine eligible to vote.

The following persons shall not be a representative, authorized person of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process in the Central Election Commission:

- 1) a commission member of the All-Ukrainian referendum;
 - 2) an official or officer of the public authorities, authorities of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea, local self-government authorities;
 - 3) a military serviceman;
 - 4) a person doing an alternative (nonmilitary) service;
 - 5) a person having a criminal record for committing a serious or especially serious crime, crime against the elective franchise or corruption-related crime which is not removed or expunged from official records in accordance with the law.
3. An authorized person of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process represents a respective political party, public organization registered as the supporter or opponent of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue, initiative group in their relations arising during the All-Ukrainian referendum process, within the respective district of the All-Ukrainian referendum and is not an independent party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process.
 4. An authorized representative of the initiative group defined by Part Ten of Article 30 of this Law, with the commencement of the All-Ukrainian referendum process exercises the powers of the authorized person of the initiative group in the nation-wide district of the All-Ukrainian referendum.

Article 77. The procedure for registration of the representative of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process in the Central Election Commission, authorized persons of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process

1. Application for registration of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process in the Central Election Commission, authorized persons of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process in soft and hard copies, signed respectively by the head of the political party, public organization and bearing the seal of the political party, public organization, authorized representative of the initiative group, the copy of the decision on approval of the list of authorized persons shall be submitted to the Central Election Commission at any time after the registration of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process.
2. Application for registration of authorized persons of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process shall indicate the following data regarding each authorized person:
 - 1) surname, name (all names), patronymic (if any) of each authorized person;
 - 2) nationality of the person;
 - 3) day, month and year of birth;
 - 4) place of work, current position (occupation) of the person;
 - 5) voter's address;
 - 6) contact phone number;
 - 7) information on the absence of a criminal record for committing a serious or especially serious crime, crime against the elective franchise or corruption-related crime which is not removed or expunged from official records in accordance with the law;

- 8) identification of the nation-wide district of the All-Ukrainian referendum or number of the territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum within which an authorized person shall exercise his/her powers.

Application for registration of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process in the Central Election Commission shall contain the information provided for by paragraphs 1-7 of this Part.

3. With applications, they enclose written consents of the persons specified in the applications to represent interests of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process in the Central Election Commission, in the respective district of the All-Ukrainian referendum, copies of the Ukrainian citizen passport (copies of the first and second pages of the Ukrainian citizen passport in the form of a passport book or a copy of the front and back sides of the Ukrainian citizen passport in the form of a card), copies of the first and second pages of the temporary certificate of Ukrainian citizenship (for persons who have recently acquired the citizenship of Ukraine).
4. No later than the third day after the submission of documents specified in Part One and Three of this Article but no later than on the day preceding the elections, the Central Election Commission shall register the representative of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process in the Central Election Commission, authorized persons of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process and issue to the representative of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process in the Central Election Commission or one of the authorized persons of this party in the nation-wide district of the All-Ukrainian referendum their certificate in the form established by the Central Election Commission.

Article 78. Powers of the representative of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process in the Central Election Commission, authorized persons of the parties to the All-Ukrainian referendum process

1. A representative of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process in the Central Election Commission is entitled to:
 - 1) attend the meetings of the Central Election Commission during addressing issues related to the All-Ukrainian referendum and participate in the discussion thereon in a consultative capacity: prior to the meeting, receive the agenda and materials on the agenda issues, submit proposals regarding the decision of the Central Election Commission;
 - 2) review the content of the meeting minutes of the Central Election Commission and decisions thereon, receive copies of these decisions;
 - 3) in case of his/her absence at the meeting, review the documents on the basis of which the decisions were made at such meeting;
 - 4) review the minutes, telephone, fax and other official messages received by the Central Election Commission from district commissions of the All-Ukrainian referendum including those on the election results, receive their copies;
 - 5) exercise other rights stipulated by this Law for the representative of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process in the Central Election Commission.
2. An authorized person of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process without a power of attorney shall represent the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process, campaign in line with the position of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process, support its activities during the All-Ukrainian referendum process.

An authorized person of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process:

- 1) shall represent the interests of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process in relations with voters, commissions of the All-Ukrainian referendum (except for the Central Election Commission), other parties to the All-Ukrainian referendum process, public authorities, authorities of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea, local

- self-government authorities, mass media, enterprises, institutions, organizations in the territory of the respective district of the All-Ukrainian referendum;
- 2) shall participate in a consultative capacity in the meetings of the All-Ukrainian referendum commissions in the territory of the respective district of the All-Ukrainian referendum (except for the Central Election Commission);
 - 3) shall be entitled to be present during the voting in voting premises at the polling stations of the All-Ukrainian referendum, during voting according to the place of stay;
 - 4) shall be entitled to be present at the meeting of the precinct commission of the All-Ukrainian referendum during the vote count, at the meeting of the district commission of the All-Ukrainian referendum during determination of the election results within a territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum;
 - 5) shall have the rights of the official observer stipulated by Part One of Article 84 of this Law;
 - 6) shall have other rights and exercise other powers according to this Law.
3. A representative of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process in the Central Election Commission, authorized person of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process from the date of registration by the Central Election Commission to the termination of its powers or end of the All-Ukrainian referendum process shall have the right to be released from work or official duties without pay after consultation with the owner of an enterprise, institution, organization or body authorized by him.

Article 79. Replacement of the representative of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process in the Central Election Commission, authorized person of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process

1. A representative of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process in the Central Election Commission, authorized person of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process shall be entitled, at any time prior to the voting day, to appeal to the Central Election Commission with an application to give up his/her powers.
2. A party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process at any time prior to the voting day may appeal to the Central Election Commission with an application to recall its representative in the Central Election Commission, authorized person as well as to introduce the other candidate instead of the recalled one. The respective application together with the written consent of the introduced candidate and copies of the first and second pages of the Ukrainian citizen passport shall be submitted to the Central Election Commission according to the procedure specified by Article 77 of this Law. Decision to recall an authorized representative of the initiative group and election of a new person as an authorized representative of the initiative group shall be taken by a majority vote of the overall composition of the initiative group.
3. On the basis of the application submitted in accordance with Part One or Two of this Article, no later than on the third day of its receipt, but no later than on the day preceding the elections, and on the election day without undue delay, the Central Election Commission shall adopt a decision to cancel the registration of the representative of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process in the Central Election Commission, authorized person of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process and (if a respective application is available) to register the other representative of the All-Ukrainian referendum process in the Central Election Commission, authorized person of this party. Without undue delay, the copy of this decision shall be provided to the representative of the All-Ukrainian referendum process in the Central Election Commission.
4. The certificate of the representative of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process in the Central Election Commission, authorized person of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process whose powers are terminated till the end of the All-Ukrainian referendum process shall be deemed invalid.

Article 80. Official observers

1. Official observers from the following organizations shall participate in the All-Ukrainian referendum process:
 - 1) observers from political parties registered as the supporter or opponent of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue;
 - 2) observers from public organizations registered as the supporter or opponent of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue;
 - 3) observers from public organizations that were entitled to monitor the All-Ukrainian referendum process in accordance with the procedure established by this Law;
 - 4) observers from the initiative group (in case the All-Ukrainian referendum is held on a popular initiative).
2. An official observer specified in Part One of this Article shall be a party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process.
3. An official observer specified in Part One of this Article shall exercise his/her powers established by this Law within the territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum where he/she is registered.
4. Official observers from foreign states and international organizations including international non-governmental organizations registered outside Ukraine (hereinafter – international observers) may monitor the course of the All-Ukrainian referendum process within the nation-wide district of the All-Ukrainian referendum. An international observer shall not be a party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process.
5. An official observer from the public organization registered by the Central Election Commission shall monitor the referendum in the whole territory of the nation-wide district.

Article 80. Official observers

1. Official observers from the following organizations shall participate in the All-Ukrainian referendum process:
 - 1) observers from political parties registered as the supporter or opponent of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue;
 - 2) observers from public organizations registered as the supporter or opponent of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue;
 - 3) observers from public organizations that were entitled to monitor the course of the All-Ukrainian referendum process in accordance with the procedure established by this Law;
 - 4) observers from the initiative group (in case the All-Ukrainian referendum is held on a popular initiative).
2. An official observer specified in Part One of this Article shall be a party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process.
3. An official observer specified in Part One of this Article shall exercise his/her powers established by this Law within the territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum where they are registered.
4. Official observers from foreign states and international organizations including international non-governmental organizations registered outside Ukraine (hereinafter – international observers) may monitor the course of the All-Ukrainian referendum process within the nation-wide district of the All-Ukrainian referendum. An international observer shall not be a party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process.
5. An official observer from the public organization registered by the Central Election Commission shall monitor the referendum in the whole territory of the nation-wide district.

Article Term of powers of official observers

1. Powers of the official observer shall begin from the day of his/her official registration by the Central Election Commission, district commission of the All-Ukrainian referendum according to the procedure stipulated by this Law and terminated with the termination of the initiative to hold the respective All-Ukrainian referendum, and in case of appointment (declaration) of the All-Ukrainian referendum after the official announcement of the All-Ukrainian referendum results by the Central Election Commission, except for the cases of early termination of his/her powers.
2. An official observer shall be entitled at any time to appeal to the Central Election Commission, district commission of the All-Ukrainian referendum that registered him/her with an application to terminate his/her powers. On the basis of such application, the specified commission shall adopt a decision to cancel the registration of the official observer, the copy of which is provided to the party introducing the candidacy of the official observer.
3. A party introducing the candidacy of the official observer shall be entitled to withdraw this official observer having appealed to the Central Election Commission, respective district commission of the All-Ukrainian referendum that registered the official representative, with a written application to terminate the powers of the official representative and submit the documents to register another person as an official observer according to the procedure established by this Law.

Article 82. Involvement of public organizations in the All-Ukrainian referendum monitoring

1. A public organization, registered according to the procedure established by the law, which statutory activity includes the electoral franchise and/or referendum right issues, observance and protection of the citizens' electoral rights and/or monitoring of the electoral or referendum process and which did not receive the status of the supporter or opponent of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue (hereinafter – public organization), shall be entitled with the permission of the Central Election Commission to have official observers at the All-Ukrainian referendum, including during the collection of the signatures to support the All-Ukrainian referendum process, their verification.
2. A public organization following the registration of the initiative group but no later than on the twentieth day after the All-Ukrainian referendum process is initiated may appeal to the Central Election Commission with an application for leave to have official observers at the All-Ukrainian referendum. With the application signed by the head of the public organization and bearing the organization's seal, they enclose a copy of the Charter of the public organization, notarized according to the procedure stipulated by the Law of Ukraine "On Notary" after the All-Ukrainian referendum process is initiated.
3. The Central Election Commission no later than on the fifth day of the application's receipt shall adopt a decision to grant a permission to the public organization to have official observers at the All-Ukrainian referendum or refuse granting of such permission and inform the public organization thereon on the day following the adoption of the respective decision. Only violations of the requirements established by Part One and Two of this Article by the public organization and registration of the public organization as the supporter or opponent of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue may be the grounds for refusal. A copy of the decision to grant a permission to the public organization to have official observers or refuse granting of such permission is provided to the authorized representative of the public organization no later than the day following the adoption of such decision. A public organization shall be entitled to appeal in court against a decision to refuse granting of the permission to have official observers.
4. On its official website, the Central Election Commission shall post the list of public organizations that were granted the permission to have official observers at the All-Ukrainian referendum.
5. No later than thirty days prior to the voting day in the All-Ukrainian referendum, the Central

Election Commission shall send to the district commissions of the All-Ukrainian referendum the list of public organizations that were granted the permission to have official representatives at the All-Ukrainian referendum, specifying the validity periods of such permissions.

6. The Central Election Commission may register not more than two official observers from the public organization. Other official observers from the public organization are registered by the respective district commission of the All-Ukrainian referendum.

Article 83. Registration of the official observers

1. A voter may be an official observer at the All-Ukrainian referendum.
The following persons shall not be registered as official observers:
 - 1) a commission member of the All-Ukrainian referendum;
 - 2) an authorized person of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process;
 - 3) an official or officer of the public authorities, authorities of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea, local self-government authorities;
 - 4) a judge, court official, prosecutor or other law-enforcement officials;
 - 5) a military serviceman or person doing an alternative (nonmilitary) service;
 - 6) a member of an initiative group;
 - 7) a person having a criminal record for committing a serious or especially serious crime, crime against the elective franchise or corruption-related crime which is not removed or expunged from official records in accordance with the law.
2. An official observer in the territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum is registered by the respective district commission of the All-Ukrainian referendum with the submission of the authorized person of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process or head of the public organization.
3. The submission on registration of the official observer shall indicate his/her surname, name (all names) and patronymic (if any), day, month and year of birth, information on citizenship, place of work (occupation), current position, voter's address, contact phone numbers, information on the absence of a criminal record for committing a serious or especially serious crime, crime against the elective franchise or corruption-related crime which is not removed or expunged from official records in accordance with the law.
4. With a submission, they enclose an application of consent of the person to be an official observer from the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process or public organization and a copy of the Ukrainian citizen passport (a copy of the first and second pages of the Ukrainian citizen passport in the form of a passport book or a copy of the front and back sides of the Ukrainian citizen passport in the form of a card) or a copy of the first and second pages of the temporary certificate of Ukrainian citizenship (for persons who have recently acquired the citizenship of Ukraine) and a copy of the decision by the Central Election Commission to have official observers at the All-Ukrainian referendum.
5. Submission on registration of the official observer signed by the authorized person of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process or head of the public organization (in hard and soft copies using the electronic means of identification established by the law) shall be provided to the Central Election Commission, respective district commission of the All-Ukrainian referendum no later than five days before the voting day.
6. Only violation of the provisions of Parts One-Four of this Article may be the grounds for refusal to register an official observer.
7. Clerical errors or inaccuracies made in the submission shall not be the grounds to reject the introduced candidacies of the official observers. Upon detecting such errors or inaccuracies, the district commission of the All-Ukrainian referendum without undue delay shall inform the

submitting party thereon. Specified errors and inaccuracies may be corrected through making an adjusted submission regarding respective candidacies within the time limit stipulated by Part Five of this Article, and if the message is received on the last day of such period – on the next day following the message receipt. If the adjusted submission was not provided in a timely manner, respective candidacies should be rejected.

8. The respective district commission of the All-Ukrainian referendum shall register official observers and issue certificates in the form established by the Central Election Commission no later than on the next day after the submission is provided.
9. Registration of the official observers in the nation-wide, foreign district of the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be carried out by the Central Election Commission according to the procedure established by this Article.

Article 84. Rights and obligations of the official observers

1. An official observer shall be entitled to:
 - 1) observing the requirements of this Law, be present at the meetings of the All-Ukrainian referendum commissions, including while vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum, determination of the election results in the territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum;
 - 2) be present at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum during voting, observe from any distance actions of the commission members on the All-Ukrainian referendum, including while issuing voting ballots, without creating physical obstacles for the commission members on the All-Ukrainian referendum;
 - 3) accompany members of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum while organizing voting according to the place of stay and be present while conducting such voting;
 - 4) carry out a photo, video shooting and audio recording without violating the secrecy of vote and creating a threat of voter intimidation;
 - 5) appeal to the members of the respective commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum, initiative group, members of the initiative group with the request to immediately eliminate violations of this Law in case of their detection;
 - 6) according to the procedure established by the law, appeal in the respective commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum or court against violation of legal requirements on the All-Ukrainian referendum;
 - 7) draw up an act on detection of law violations on the All-Ukrainian referendum according to the procedure established by Part Three of this Article that may be attached to the complaint or statement of claim;
 - 8) implement all necessary measures to cease illegal actions during voting and vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum;
 - 9) receive copies of the protocols for the handover of voting ballots to the commissions on the All-Ukrainian referendum, vote count at the polling station, election results within a territorial district, results of the All-Ukrainian referendum, other documents in cases stipulated by this Law;
 - 10) exercise other powers of official observers stipulated by this Law.
2. An official observer shall not be entitled to:
 - 1) fill in a voting ballot instead of a voter (including upon his/her request);
 - 2) be present in the booth for secret voting while filling in of the voting ballot by the voter or otherwise violate the secrecy of vote;
 - 3) take other actions that violate the lawful course of the All-Ukrainian referendum process or unlawfully prevent the commission members on the All-Ukrainian referendum from

exercising their powers.

3. Act on violation of legal requirements of the All-Ukrainian referendum shall witness the commission of unlawful actions or inactions by the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum, commission member or another person. Such act shall be drawn up without undue delay after the violation is detected. The act shall be signed by the person drawing it up and not less than two other voters that witness such violation specifying their surnames, names, patronymics and voter's addresses.
4. In case an official observer violates the requirements of paragraph 3 Part Two of this Article, the All-Ukrainian referendum commission which meetings are attended by the official observer shall issue him/her a warning. In case an official observer repeats a violation or commits a single gross violation of the specified requirements, the commission may deprive him/her of the right to attend commission meetings, according to the procedure established by this Law. Such decision may be appealed by the official observer in the higher level commission according to the procedure stipulated by this Law or in court.

Article 85. International observers

1. Official observers from foreign states, international organizations shall be accredited by the Central Election Commission. Proposals on their registration shall be submitted directly to the Central Election Commission or through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine after the All-Ukrainian referendum process is initiated but no later than seven days before the voting day at the All-Ukrainian referendum.
2. Citizens of Ukraine shall not be accredited as international observers. The following persons shall not be registered as international observers:
 - 1) a person who is a citizen (national) of the state recognized by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine as an aggressor state or an occupying power;
 - 2) a person, proposals on whom were initiated or submitted by the state recognized by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine as an aggressor state or an occupying power.
3. Decision on registration of the official observers from foreign states, international organizations shall be adopted by the Central Election Commission no later than five days before the voting day. The procedure for registration of the international observers shall be established by the Central Election Commission.
4. The Central Election Commission shall issue an international observer a certificate in accordance with the form established by it.
5. International observers shall exercise their powers in the territory of Ukraine and at the foreign polling stations of the All-Ukrainian referendum.

Citizens of Ukraine or foreigners or stateless persons who are proficient in the Ukrainian language may accompany registered official observers from foreign states, international organizations in the territory of polling stations of the All-Ukrainian referendum and during meetings of the All-Ukrainian referendum commissions solely to serve as interpreters (no more than one person for each official observer).

6. An international observer shall be entitled to:
 - 1) attend the meetings of representatives of the parties to the All-Ukrainian referendum process with voters, meetings, protests and other campaigning events of the All-Ukrainian referendum;
 - 2) review official information materials and campaigning materials of the All-Ukrainian referendum;
 - 3) complying with the requirements of this Law, attend the meetings, be in the premises of precinct, district commissions of the All-Ukrainian referendum, observe from any distance actions of the commission members on the All-Ukrainian referendum, including while issuing voting ballots to voters, during the vote count, determination of

- the election results, without physically interfering with the commission members;
- 4) carry out photo, video shootings and audio recording without violating therewith the secrecy of vote;
 - 5) following the All-Ukrainian referendum, express his/her suggestions regarding organization of the respective All-Ukrainian referendum and improvement of the Ukrainian legislation taking into account the international practices, hold press conferences observing the requirements of the Ukrainian legislation;
 - 6) establish temporary observers' groups together with other observers from foreign states, international organizations to coordinate their activities within the powers stipulated by this Law;
 - 7) receive copies of the minutes, other documents in cases stipulated by this Law.
7. International observers shall not be entitled to interfere with the activities of the All-Ukrainian referendum commissions, take actions violating the legal course of the All-Ukrainian referendum process or unlawfully prevent the commission members on the All-Ukrainian referendum from exercising their powers; fill in a voting ballot instead of a voter (including upon his/her request) or otherwise violate the secrecy of vote, use their status in the activities not related to monitoring the course of the All-Ukrainian referendum process. The specified restriction shall be applied to persons that accompany official observers from a foreign state, international organization.
 8. Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine, other public authorities, local self-government authorities and commissions on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall support foreign observers in exercising their powers.
 9. Financial and material support of the foreign observers' activities shall be provided at the expense of states or organizations that directed these observers to Ukraine or at their own expense.

SECTION III

INFORMATION SUPPORT OF THE ALL-UKRAINIAN REFERENDUM

Article 86 Basic Principles of Information Support for the All-Ukrainian Referendum

1. Voters, including those with impaired vision or hearing, shall be provided with access to diverse, objective, and unbiased information required to make a conscious, informed, and free choice.

To ensure access to information for people with impaired vision and hearing, such information may be provided using available formats in the manner and scope determined by the Central Election Commission.
2. Information contained in the documents submitted to the respective commission on All-Ukrainian referendum is public. District and precinct commissions on All-Ukrainian referendum shall forward information stipulated by this Law for publication on the official website of the Central Election Commission in the manner prescribed by this Law. Such information may be published and provided under the procedure established by the Law of Ukraine "On Access to Public Information".
3. During the All-Ukrainian referendum, the Central Election Commission shall publish on its official website information determined by this Law in the form of dataset arranged in a machine-readable format for the purpose of its subsequent re-use.
4. When disseminating information on All-Ukrainian referendum issue and its course that is not part of referendum campaign materials under Article 93 of this Law, Commissions on All-Ukrainian referendum, mass media and news agencies, public authorities, authorities of

the Autonomous Republic of Crimea, local self-government authorities, their officials and officers, as well as non-governmental organizations shall be obliged to follow principles of objectivity, impartiality, balance, reliability, completeness, and accuracy of information.

Article 87. General Information Support for the All-Ukrainian Referendum

1. General information support for the All-Ukrainian referendum includes informing voters of the following:
 - 1) citizen right to participation in the All-Ukrainian referendum, methods used to exercise and protect this right;
 - 2) the possibility and procedures to verify their inclusion and that of other voters in the State Register of Voters and voter lists at the polling stations of the All-Ukrainian referendum;
 - 3) the possibility and procedures to change the voting venue without changing the voter's address;
 - 4) address of the location of the district and precinct commissions on All-Ukrainian referendum, polling stations of the All-Ukrainian referendum that the voter's address belongs to;
 - 5) address of the venue for voting, data, and time of voting;
 - 6) grounds and procedure for a possibility to vote at the place of stay;
 - 7) voting procedure and the method for filling in the ballot for voting;
 - 8) the right to appeal violations of the rights to participate in the All-Ukrainian referendum and methods to exercise this right;
 - 9) responsibility for violating the legislation on the All-Ukrainian referendum;
 - 10) a list of parties to the All-Ukrainian referendum - supporters and opponents of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue registered in accordance with Article 75 of this Law.
2. The Central Election Commission shall publish on its website information specified in paragraphs 1-9 Part 1 hereof no later than on the second day of the All-Ukrainian referendum process.
3. The Central Election Commission shall publish on its website information specified in paragraph 10 Part 1 of this Article no later than on the next day following the registration of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process.
4. Dissemination of information materials that are part of the general information support for the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be covered by the legislation on social advertising.

Article 88. Special Information Support for the All-Ukrainian Referendum

1. Special information support for the All-Ukrainian referendum provides for informing voters of the following:
 - 1) the start of the All-Ukrainian referendum process;
 - 2) contents of the question in the All-Ukrainian referendum;
 - 3) accounts of the funds of the parties to the All-Ukrainian referendum, acceptable contribution amount and the way for making a contribution;
 - 4) official (contact) addresses of commissions on the All-Ukrainian referendum, the initiative group, political parties, public organizations registered as supporters or opponents of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue;
 - 5) facts and events related to the process of the All-Ukrainian referendum;
 - 6) activities of the initiative group, commissions on the All-Ukrainian referendum, political parties, public organizations registered as supporters or opponents of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue;

- 7) justification by the initiative group, political party, public organization as a participant of the All-Ukrainian referendum process of their stand concerning the referendum.
2. Special information support of the All-Ukrainian referendum concerning data specified in Part 1 hereof shall be carried out by the Central Election Commission, as well as district commissions on the All-Ukrainian referendum within the framework determined hereunder and in the manner established by the Central Election Commission.
3. In case of the referendum on amending the Constitution of Ukraine and changing the limits of the territory of Ukraine, additional special information support for the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be provided by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine.

Article 89. Principles of Mass Media and News Agencies' Participation in the Information Support of the All-Ukrainian Referendum

1. During the All-Ukrainian referendum process, mass media shall publish communications commissioned by the Central Election Commission, regional and territorial representative offices of the Central Election Commission based on respective agreements.
2. News agencies and mass media must disseminate information on the All-Ukrainian referendum based on the principles of reliability, completeness, accuracy, and objectivity of information, as well as its unbiased presentation.
3. News agencies, mass media disseminating information on the course of the All-Ukrainian referendum process, events related thereto must prevent suppression of the publicly relevant information on such events if they were aware of the same at the time of its dissemination.

News agencies, mass media must disseminate information on the All-Ukrainian referendum according to facts while preventing its distortion. Mass media and news agencies must try to obtain information on events related to the All-Ukrainian referendum process from two or more sources giving preference to original sources.

When sharing information on the All-Ukrainian referendum issue, views, and actions of the parties thereto - supporters and opponents of the All-Ukrainian referendum, news agencies and mass media must treat all opinions concerning the All-Ukrainian referendum equally.

4. Mass media must provide balanced coverage of comments made by all parties to the All-Ukrainian referendum - supporters and opponents thereof regarding the contents of the issue of the All-Ukrainian referendum and events related thereto.
5. Broadcasting companies shall independently determine the amount of air time devoted to the coverage of facts and events related to the All-Ukrainian referendum process. Broadcasting companies are prohibited from singling out in said materials certain parties to the All-Ukrainian referendum process or give them preference.
6. The National Council of Television and Radio Broadcasting of Ukraine (on electronic (audio-visual) mass media) and the central executive authority implementing the state policy in the information and publishing spheres (concerning printed mass media and news agencies) shall exercise control over the observance of this Law in the context of mass media and news agencies' participation in the information support of the All-Ukrainian referendum and campaigning for it.

Article 90. Peculiarities of Disseminating Information on the Results of the Public Opinion Poll Related to the All-Ukrainian Referendum

1. Individuals and legal entities conducting public opinion polls shall be entitled to publish the results of such polls related to the All-Ukrainian referendum and must specify their time, coverage area, the size and method used to form the respondent sociological sample, polling methods, exact wording of questions, possible statistical error.
2. When disseminating the results of the public opinion poll related to the All-Ukrainian referendum, news agencies, mass media must specify the complete name of the polling

organization, poll commissioners, and other data stipulated by Part One hereof.

3. It is prohibited to publish or otherwise disseminate the results of a public opinion poll related to the All-Ukrainian referendum during the last seven days prior to the voting day.
4. Methods for conducting voter polls concerning their choice during voting must ensure the secrecy of voting of the polled voter. It is forbidden to publish results of such poll on the election day before the voting is over.
5. If the broadcasting company publishes the results of an interactive audience poll conducted during the programme related to the All-Ukrainian referendum or with the involvement of parties thereto - supporters or opponents of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue, programme participants are forbidden from commenting on such poll results or otherwise referring to them. Results of the interactive audience poll must be accompanied at all times by the text message "This poll only reflects the opinion of this audience" and must be demonstrated on the screen (for TV programmes) in a form acceptable to the viewer or may be voiced (for radio programmes) in a clear voice by the anchor or the presenter directly before and after the respective results are promulgated.

Article 91. Official Information Materials of the All-Ukrainian Referendum

1. Official information materials of the All-Ukrainian referendum materials include:
 - 1) the text of the question in the All-Ukrainian referendum (the text of the Law to be approved, the text of the Law on ratification of an international agreement concerning changes to the limits of the territory of Ukraine, the text of the official translation of an international agreement into Ukrainian; a draft law on the partial or full loss of effect of the law);
 - 2) informative posters clarifying the voting procedure and responsibility for violating the legislation on the All-Ukrainian referendum.
2. Using the funds of the State Budget of Ukraine allocated for preparing and holding the All-Ukrainian referendum, the Central Election Commission shall no later than thirty days before the voting ensure the production of official informative materials on the All-Ukrainian referendum as specified in paragraphs 1-2 Part One hereof in the quantities determined by the Central Election Commission.

Poster form, size, text, and polygraphic processes, as well as the procedure for their production and transfer to precinct commissions on the All-Ukrainian referendum, shall be determined by the Central Election Commission.
3. Information materials specified in Part One hereof shall be forwarded to district commissions on the All-Ukrainian referendum in the manner established by the Central Election Commission of Ukraine.
4. Immediately after establishing precinct commissions on the All-Ukrainian referendum, district commissions on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall provide the latter with copies of official materials on the All-Ukrainian referendum in the quantities specified by the Central Election Commission.
5. District and precinct commissions on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall provide each citizen with a possibility to review official informative materials, including on the voting day.

Article 92. Informative Posters of Initiative Groups, Political Parties, Public Organizations Registered as Supporters or Opponents of the All-Ukrainian Referendum Issue

1. Using money of their All-Ukrainian referendum fund, initiative groups, political parties, public organizations registered as supporters or opponents of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue may produce informative posters with the substantiation (at most 2500 printed characters) of their stand concerning the All-Ukrainian referendum issue that was registered by them at the time of registration to be placed in the polling stations of the All-Ukrainian referendum. The informative poster form, size, and polygraphic processes shall be determined by the

Central Election Commission.

2. The Central Election Commission shall approve the informative poster text in consultation with the authorized persons of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process in the nation-wide district.

Informative posters must contain information on the printing company, circulation, data on the commissioner specifying whether it is the supporter or opponent of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue.

3. No later than 18:00 of the day preceding the voting day, initiative groups, political parties, public organizations registered as supporters or opponents of the All-Ukrainian referendum shall supply precinct commissions on the All-Ukrainian referendum with informative posters in the amount of at most two copies of each poster per every polling station.
4. Precinct commissions on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall provide each citizen with a possibility to review official information materials, including on the voting day.

SECTION IX

CAMPAIGNING FOR THE ALL-UKRAINIAN REFERENDUM

Article 93. Forms and Methods of Campaigning for the All-Ukrainian Referendum

1. Campaigning for the All-Ukrainian referendum means any activities encouraging voters to vote "for" or "against" the All-Ukrainian referendum issue during the All-Ukrainian referendum. Campaigning also includes announcements of events held or supported by the parties to the All-Ukrainian referendum process.

Coverage of the official stand of the President of Ukraine and the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine concerning the All-Ukrainian referendum on changes to Sections I, III, XIII of the Constitution of Ukraine and the All-Ukrainian referendum on changes to the limits of the Ukrainian territory is not part of campaigning for the All-Ukrainian referendum.

2. Citizens of Ukraine - voters - are entitled to discuss freely and in detail the All-Ukrainian referendum issue, official information materials on it, its possible consequences, personally campaign or participate in campaigning to support or oppose the All-Ukrainian referendum issue without spending their own money.
3. Campaigning for the All-Ukrainian referendum may have the following forms:
 - 1) holding citizen meetings, meetings with voters, debates, discussions, and other public events aimed at campaigning for the All-Ukrainian referendum (by supporters or opponents of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue);
 - 2) holding meetings, marches, demonstrations for or against the All-Ukrainian referendum issue;
 - 3) installing information tents for the purpose of campaigning;
 - 4) promulgating in the printed and audiovisual (electronic) mass media and on the Internet speeches, interviews, sketches, films, other publications, and messages for or against the All-Ukrainian referendum issue;
 - 5) disseminating leaflets, posters, and other printed campaigning materials or printed publications with materials promoting the All-Ukrainian referendum;
 - 6) placing printed campaigning materials on the outdoor advertising media;
 - 7) public calls to vote for or against the All-Ukrainian referendum issue, public assessment of the content of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue;

- 8) other forms that are not contrary to the Constitution and laws of Ukraine.
4. Installation of information tents for the purpose of campaigning for the All-Ukrainian referendum, organization and conduct of meetings, marches, demonstrations, and pickets do not require notification or obtaining any permits from the executive or local self-government authorities.
5. A party to the All-Ukrainian referendum that created an All-Ukrainian referendum fund shall be entitled to rent buildings and premises of all property forms based on contracts and using their fund's money to hold assemblies, meetings with voters, debates, discussions, and other public events aimed at campaigning for the All-Ukrainian referendum.
6. If the building (premises), regardless of its property form, is provided to one of the parties to the All-Ukrainian referendum process for the purpose of holding a public event related to the All-Ukrainian referendum or for the All-Ukrainian referendum campaigning, the owner (possessor, user) of this building (premises) has no right to refuse its provision on the same terms to the other party to the All-Ukrainian referendum that has an alternative stand concerning the All-Ukrainian referendum issue.
7. The requirement outlined in Part Six of this Article does not apply to the premises that are owned or permanently used by the political party or public organization registered as a supporter or opponent of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue.
8. News agencies shall provide parties to the All-Ukrainian referendum process - supporters or opponents of the All Ukrainian referendum issue - with premises for press-conferences under the terms of equal access and equal pay.
9. Legal entities and individuals providing advertising tools (outdoor advertising media) for placing campaigning materials must ensure equal access and equal terms for the parties to the All-Ukrainian referendum process - supporters and opponents of the All-Ukrainian referendum.
10. Campaigning for the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be conducted at the expense of money from the All-Ukrainian referendum fund of the initiative group, political party, public organization registered as supporters or opponents of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue.
11. It is prohibited to use citizen money or money from other sources, including at the citizens' initiative, to campaign for the All-Ukrainian referendum.
12. Covert campaigning, as well as publishing or disseminating of campaigning materials that are not marked according to the requirements of this Law, is prohibited.

Article 94. Time Limits for Campaigning for the All-Ukrainian Referendum

1. The initiative group is entitled to start campaigning on the first day of the All-Ukrainian referendum process. The political party, public organization is entitled to start campaigning on the day following the day of the decision on their registration as supporters or opponents of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue.
2. Campaigning for the All-Ukrainian referendum shall end at 24:00 on the last Friday before voting.
3. Campaigning for the All-Ukrainian referendum on the day before and on the voting day is prohibited. It also prohibited during this time to hold mass events related to the All-Ukrainian referendum or its issues, disseminate campaign materials, discuss the All-Ukrainian referendum issues in the mass media or during public events.

Campaign materials shall be removed by the respective local executive and self-government authorities starting from 24:00 on the last Friday before the voting day.

Article 95. Printed Materials and All-Ukrainian Referendum Products

1. Any party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process may, at its sole discretion, produce printed campaign materials for the All-Ukrainian referendum at the expense and within the limits of its All-Ukrainian referendum fund.

2. Printed campaign materials of the All-Ukrainian referendum include leaflets, posters, booklets, brochures, other printed products with inscriptions or texts related to the All-Ukrainian referendum issue.

Said printed materials of the All-Ukrainian referendum cannot contain unreliable, incomplete, and inaccurate information.

3. A party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process may produce at the expense of the money in their All-Ukrainian referendum fund products (badges, calendars, plastic bags, pencils, pens, etc.) with inscriptions or images representing a certain attitude to the All-Ukrainian referendum issue, visual images of the name, symbols (logo, flag) of a political party, public organization - party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process, provided that the price per unit of such product does not exceed 3 per cent of the minimum salary established under the law on the day of the All-Ukrainian referendum start.
4. Printed campaign materials of the All-Ukrainian referendum must contain information on the printing company, circulation, data on the materials commissioner specifying whether it is the supporter or opponent of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue.
5. Local executive or self-government authorities shall allocate space and equip stands, advertising boards in public places for posting campaign materials of the All-Ukrainian referendum no later than on the tenth day of the All-Ukrainian referendum process.
6. The party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process shall be entitled to disseminate printed campaign materials of the All-Ukrainian referendum specified in Part Two of this Article, printed publications where respective campaign materials are published, as well as products indicated in Part Three of this Article.

Article 96. General Procedure for Using Mass Media

1. Campaigning for the All-Ukrainian referendum using mass media of all property forms shall take place in compliance with the principle of equal terms and in the manner provided for by this Law.
2. Campaigning for the All-Ukrainian referendum in mass media of all property forms shall be paid out of the All-Ukrainian referendum fund of the respective party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process and shall be based on the equal pay per unit of air time or space.
3. Cost of the unit of printed space and the unit of air time for campaigning using the money from the All-Ukrainian referendum funds of the parties to the All-Ukrainian referendum process shall be established by a respective mass media no later than on the first day of the All-Ukrainian referendum process. At the same time, mass media may calculate the cost of such unit of printed space or air time separately for working days and weekends or holidays, as well as separately for air time slots or printed space differing in their potential audience.

The cost of the unit of printed space and air time for campaigning cannot change during the entire All-Ukrainian referendum process. The mass media cannot provide a discount to an individual party to the All-Ukrainian referendum. This information shall be immediately communicated to the Central Election Commission and published on its official website.

4. Campaign materials of the All-Ukrainian referendum must be clearly separated from other information, including commercial advertising, regardless of its forms and methods of presentation so that they could be identified as campaign materials.
5. The mass media that provided air time or printed space to one party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process cannot decline the request for air time or printed space on the same terms from another party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process with alternative stand concerning the All-Ukrainian referendum issue. This requirement does not apply to mass media where their founders (owners) are political parties (political party organizations), public organizations - parties to the All-Ukrainian referendum process.

Article 97. The Procedure for Using Electronic (Audiovisual) Mass Media

1. Broadcasting companies shall be obliged to publish in the printed mass media information on the cost of one minute (second) of air time no later than on the third day following the start of the All-Ukrainian referendum process. Broadcasters broadcasting on the national channels shall publish such information in the *Holos Ukrayiny* newspaper, while regional and local broadcasting companies shall do the same in respective regional and local print media.
2. Air time paid for from the money of the All-Ukrainian referendum fund of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process shall be provided to the respective party based on the agreement concluded on its behalf by the current manager of the All-Ukrainian referendum fund account of the respective party and the broadcasting company of any property form. Without such an agreement and money transfer to the broadcaster's account, it is prohibited to provide the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process with air time.
3. Inclusion of campaign materials of the parties to the All-Ukrainian referendum process in the news TV and Radio programmes (news broadcasts) is forbidden. Campaigning for the All-Ukrainian referendum in TV and radio programmes, broadcasts must be clearly separated from other programmes, broadcasts at their beginning and the end using audio, video, combined means, captions, advertising logo, or comments of presenters with the words "Campaigning for the All-Ukrainian referendum". It is prohibited to interrupt broadcasts of campaigning for the All-Ukrainian referendum with commercials of goods, works, services or other communications.
4. The broadcast of campaigning for the All-Ukrainian referendum on television, must be appropriate for viewers, specify the full name of its commissioner in a form of a text message covering at least 15% of the screen space and use a colour, which is contrast to the main background image colour.
5. Broadcasting companies must carry out audio and video recording of all programmes containing campaigning for the All-Ukrainian referendum and store them during the term of such campaigning and thirty days after the official announcement of the All-Ukrainian referendum results.
6. At the written request from the Central Election Commission, the National Council of Television and Radio Broadcasting of Ukraine, broadcasters all property forms must provide all the information on the allocation of air time to the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum for the purpose of campaigning for it, and, if needed, - copies of respective agreements, payment documents, and programmes recorded on tape or other information media.
7. Campaign materials using electronic (audiovisual) mass media must contain closed captions and/or translation into Ukrainian sign language to make them accessible to persons with vision and hearing impairments and account for the requirements established by the National Council of Television and Radio Broadcasting of Ukraine.

Article 98. The Procedure for Using Print Media

1. The initiative group, political party, public organization registered as supporters or opponents of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue shall be entitled to use the money from its All-Ukrainian referendum fund to publish campaign materials in print media of any property form published in Ukraine, save for mass media specified in Part Thirteen Article 99 hereof.
2. Campaign materials of the All-Ukrainian referendum must be clearly separated from other materials published in the print media and must be published in the "Campaigning for the All-Ukrainian Referendum" section.
3. Campaign materials specified in Part One of this Article shall be published based on the agreement concluded on behalf of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process by the manager of its All-Ukrainian referendum fund account with the editorial board (publisher) of the print media. Publication of these materials is prohibited without the agreement and transfer of money to the account of the print media editorial board (publisher). This requirement does not apply to the mass media founded (owned) by a political party that is

party to the All-Ukrainian referendum.

4. Upon written requests of the Central Election Commission, print media editorial boards (publishers) of all property forms must provide it with all the information on the use of the print space for campaign materials of the All-Ukrainian referendum, and if needed - send it copies of respective agreements, payment documents, and corresponding publications.

Article 99. Restrictions on Campaigning for the All-Ukrainian Referendum

1. It is prohibited during the time of campaigning for the All-Ukrainian referendum to disseminate any forms of materials with calls to liquidate the independence of Ukraine, violently change the constitutional order, violate the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the state, disrupt its security, illegally seize power, promote war, violence, incite ethnic, racial, national, religious hatred, encroach on human rights and freedoms, the health of the population.
2. The following persons are forbidden to participate in the All-Ukrainian referendum:
 - 1) foreigners and stateless persons, including through journalistic activities or in the form of participation in concerts, plays, sports competitions, other public events held to support or oppose the All-Ukrainian referendum issue;
 - 2) officials and officers of public authorities, authorities of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea and local self-government authorities, law-enforcement agencies, and courts during working hours, save for cases when such official or officer is an employee of the press centre at respective public authorities, authorities of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea, and local self-government authorities and is responsible for announcing the official stand of the President of Ukraine and the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine concerning the All-Ukrainian referendum on changing Sections I, III, XIII of the Constitution of Ukraine and the All-Ukrainian referendum on changing the limits of the territory of Ukraine when such announcement does not contain campaigning comments and calls to vote for or against the All-Ukrainian referendum issue;
 - 3) members of commissions on the All-Ukrainian referendum during the entire term of their responsibilities in the respective commissions.
3. Public authorities, authorities of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea, local self-government authorities are forbidden from any forms of participation in campaigning for the All-Ukrainian referendum.
4. Premises of public authorities, authorities of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea, local self-government authorities cannot be used to hold events dedicated to campaigning for the All-Ukrainian referendum.
5. Officials and officers of the public authorities, authorities of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea, local self-government authorities, communal enterprises, institutions, organizations, military units (formations) are prohibited from using for campaigning purposes company vehicles, communication means, equipment, premises, other objects, and resources at the place of employment, neither are they allowed to use official or productivity meetings, team meetings to campaign for the All-Ukrainian referendum.

Prohibitions related to the use of company vehicles, communication means, equipment, premises, other objects and resources at the place of residence shall not apply to officials or officers who are employees of press centres of respective public authorities, authorities of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea, local self-government authorities and are responsible for announcing the official stand of the President of Ukraine and the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine concerning the All-Ukrainian referendum on amending Sections I, III, XIII of the Constitution of Ukraine and the All-Ukrainian referendum on changing the limits of the territory of Ukraine when such announcement does not contain campaigning comments and calls to vote for or against the All-Ukrainian referendum issue.

6. During the All-Ukrainian referendum process, it is prohibited to use the following in commercial and social advertising:

- 1) the text of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue or part thereof;
 - 2) symbols (logos) or names of the parties to the All-Ukrainian referendum process.
7. It is prohibited to campaign for the All-Ukrainian referendum by giving voters, establishments, institutions, organizations money or free or discounted goods (save for products indicated in Part Three Article 95 hereof), services, works, securities, loans, lottery tickets, other material values. Such campaigning or providing voters, establishments, institutions, organizations with money or free or discounted goods, services, works, securities, loans, lottery tickets, other material values with calls or offers to vote for or against the All-Ukrainian referendum issue or give positive or negative feedback of the content of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue shall be deemed indirect bribery and shall be subject to liability.
 8. It is prohibited to produce and disseminate printed campaign materials of the All-Ukrainian referendum that do not contain all or some data specified in Part Four Article 95.
 9. It is prohibited to post and disseminate campaign materials of the All-Ukrainian referendum on the premises of public authorities, authorities of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea, local self-government authorities and communal education and healthcare enterprise, housing and utility enterprises and institutions.
 10. It is prohibited to post campaign materials of the All-Ukrainian referendum at the cultural heritage objects.
 11. It is prohibited to post campaign materials of the All-Ukrainian referendum on the surfaces of public transport, including taxi, on the premises and buildings of subway stations, bus and railway stations, ports and airports, or disseminate such campaign materials through TV and radio broadcasting networks or other passenger information networks and information boards on the premises of stations and in subway carriages, in bus and railway stations, ports and airports, public transport.
 12. It is prohibited to advertise books, print media or TV and radio programmes using the text of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue or parts thereof, symbols (flags and logos) of the parties to the All-Ukrainian referendum process.
 13. It is prohibited to campaign for the All-Ukrainian referendum both in foreign media operating in Ukraine and in the media registered in Ukraine where the share of foreign ownership exceeds 50 per cent.
 14. During the All-Ukrainian referendum, mass media, their officials, officers, and creative professionals are forbidden from campaigning for or against the All-Ukrainian referendum issue in their articles and programmes if it was not agreed in agreements concluded under this Law, disseminating information intended to encourage citizens to vote for or against the All-Ukrainian referendum issue.
 15. It is prohibited to post campaign materials of the All-Ukrainian referendum in one section with the commercial and social advertising.
 16. It is prohibited to include materials of the parties to the All-Ukrainian referendum process in the news TV and radio programmes (news broadcasts). All campaign materials of the All-Ukrainian referendum must be separated from other materials and marked as such.
 17. With its decision, the National Council of Television and Radio Broadcasting of Ukraine shall terminate until the end of the All-Ukrainian referendum process broadcasting in Ukraine, including by telecommunications carriers, of foreign TV channels if their activities violate norms concerning the prohibition for foreign and stateless citizens to campaign for the All-Ukrainian referendum, including through journalistic activities, or when their programmes contain calls to liquidate the independence of Ukraine, violently change the constitutional order, violate the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the state, disrupt its security, illegally seize power, promote war, violence, incite ethnic, racial, national, religious hatred, encroach on human rights and freedoms, the health of the population.

18. If upon consideration of the dispute concerning the All-Ukrainian referendum the court finds a one-time violation of this Law, the National Council of Television and Radio Broadcasting of Ukraine shall pass a decision with an official warning for the respective mass media demanding to stop violations of the legislation on the All-Ukrainian referendum. Such warning shall be published in the mass media and on the official website of the Central Election Commission.
19. If upon consideration of the dispute concerning the All-Ukrainian referendum, the court finds a repeated or one-time serious violation of this Law by the mass media, the court shall pass a decision on temporary suspension (until the end of the All-Ukrainian referendum process) of the respective programme, license for the audiovisual media or temporary ban (until the end of the All-Ukrainian referendum process) on the issue of the printed publication.
20. Hindering the exercise of the right to campaign for the All-Ukrainian referendum as well as the violation of the procedure for such campaigning established by this Law shall entail liability under the laws of Ukraine.
21. If the Central Election Commission or a district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum receive an application, complaint, or other notice concerning violations of this Law with regard to campaigning for the All-Ukrainian referendum that contains signs of the crime or administrative offence, such commission shall immediately address respective law-enforcement agencies with a request to verify the said notice and respond to it as required by the laws of Ukraine.

SECTION X

VOTING AND DETERMINING RESULTS OF THE ALL-UKRAINIAN REFERENDUM

Article 100. Voting Ballot

1. Voters cast votes at the All-Ukrainian referendum using ballots for voting at the All-Ukrainian referendum or by way of electronic vote.
2. Ballots for voting at the All-Ukrainian referendum are limited issue documents and are subject to accounting. The documentation intended for accounting of voting ballots shall be forwarded by manufacturing enterprises, district and precinct commissions on the All-Ukrainian referendum to the Central Election Commission. After the official announcement of the All-Ukrainian referendum results, the Central Election Commission shall ensure forwarding of the accounting information to corresponding archival institutions for safekeeping.

The Chair, Deputy Chair, Secretary, and members of respective commissions on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall bear personal responsibility for ensuring the proper storage and usage of ballots for voting at the All-Ukrainian referendum.
3. The Central Election Commission shall approve the form, colour, and text of the voting ballot based on the issue put to the All-Ukrainian referendum within 10 days from the beginning of the same. Voting ballots for the issue put to the All-Ukrainian referendum must be identical in size, colour, and content. The level of the voting ballot protection shall be established by the Central Election Commission.
4. The voting ballot shall contain the name and date of the All-Ukrainian referendum, number of the territorial district or the marking of the foreign district of the All-Ukrainian referendum, number of the polling station, as well as the markings of places for the precinct commission seal, last name and signature of the commission member issuing the voting ballot. The voting ballot text shall be written in the official state language and must be printed on one sheet and on one side only.
5. The voting ballot shall contain issues put to the All-Ukrainian referendum, as well as the

name of the law and draft law, and offer the voter to answer "yes" or "no" to the question on the approval or rejection of the law or adoption or rejection of the draft law. There shall be an empty square under each of these answer options.

6. The voting ballot shall contain clarifications concerning the procedure for filling the ballot by the voter during voting.
7. The voting ballot has a counterfoil separated by the detach line. The counterfoil must contain the name and date of the All-Ukrainian referendum, number of the territorial district or marking of the foreign district of the All-Ukrainian referendum, number of the polling station, as well as the marked place for the voter's number in the voter list at the given polling station, signature of the voter receiving the voting ballot, last name and the signature of the member of the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum issuing the voting ballot.
8. Electronic voting at the All-Ukrainian referendum shall take place according to the procedure determined by the law.

Article 101. The Procedure for Manufacturing Voting Ballots

1. The Central Election Commission shall ensure the centralized production of voting ballots by the state polygraphic enterprise no later than seven days prior to voting based on the agreement concluded with this enterprise.
2. The enterprise manufacturing voting ballots shall ensure strict adherence to the commissioned amount of produced ballots and their accounting under the procedure established by the Central Election Commission.
3. Industrial waste, polygraphic defects, as well as typesets shall be destroyed in the manner and within terms determined by the agreement on the manufacture of voting ballots.
4. Upon submission from political parties with deputy faction registered with the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine of the current convocation as of the beginning of the All-Ukrainian referendum process and from representatives of the initiative group (if the referendum is held at the people's initiative) no later than on the day of the ballot form approval, the Central Election Commission shall establish a monitoring commission to exercise control over the manufacture of voting ballots at the manufacturing enterprise, observance of the requirements to typeset, industrial waste, and polygraphic defect destruction.
5. The Central Election Commission shall receive voting ballots in the packaging of the manufacturing enterprise based on the certificate of acceptance in a form established by the Central Election Commission.
6. As an exception, voting ballots at the special polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum set up on a vessel that is sailing under the State Flag of Ukraine on the voting day and on the polar station of Ukraine may be manufactured by the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum upon prior permission of the Central Election Commission.
7. Voting ballots for each polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be manufactured in the quantity which exceeds the number of voters on the voter list by 0.5 per cent with a possible deviation from the specified quantity considering the multiplicity factor of ballot location on the polygraphic sheet during manufacture. Voting ballots in the foreign district for each polling station abroad shall be manufactured in the amounts determined by the Central Election Commission based on the number of voters included in the voter list at the respective polling station abroad, the number of voters who received ballots at this polling station during the last national elections, and the average number of voters who received ballots at the polling stations in the foreign district during the last national elections.

Article 102. The Procedure for Issue of Voting Ballots to Commissions on the All-Ukrainian Referendum

1. The district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall accept voting ballots from the authorized member of the Central Election Commission or the representative of the Secretariat of the Central Election Commission during the session of the respective district

commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum no earlier than seven days prior to the voting day. The district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall execute three copies of the protocol on acceptance of voting ballots. The said protocol shall be executed in the manner approved by the Central Election Commission and signed by the authorized member or representative of the Central Election Commission Secretariat responsible for the issue of voting ballots. The first copy of the protocol shall be forwarded to the Central Election Commission, the second - stored at the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum, and the third shall be immediately posted on the premises of the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum for public review.

2. The district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall ensure the storage and security of voting ballots received from the Central Election Commission. Ballots shall be stored in the premises of the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum in a safe (metal cabinet) sealed with a strap containing signatures of all commission members attending the session and a commission seal. The safe (metal cabinet or separate room) must always be guarded by the employee of the National Police of Ukraine (until ballots are issued to district commissions on the All-Ukrainian referendum).
3. The district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum issues voting ballots to precinct commissions of the district during its session which shall take place no earlier than three days before the voting day but no later than at 12:00 PM of the last Saturday before the voting day. Ballots shall be accepted by at least three members from each precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum.
4. The precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be issued all voting ballots where its number is indicated.
5. A protocol on the issue by the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum of voting ballots to precinct commissions of the district shall be executed in the form and under the procedure established by the Central Election Commission. The protocol shall specify the following:
 - 1) the number of the territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum;
 - 2) the number of the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum to whose commission members ballots are issued;
 - 3) the number of voters at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum according to the voter list as of the day of protocol execution;
 - 4) the number of voting ballots issued to the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum;
 - 5) last names and signatures of members of the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum who accepted voting ballots;
 - 6) the number of voting ballots remaining at the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum.
6. The protocol on the issue of voting ballots to precinct commissions on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be executed in three copies. Protocol copies shall be numbered and have equal legal force. The first copy of the protocol shall be sent to the Central Election Commission, the second - stored by the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum, and the third shall be immediately posted on the premises of the district commission for public review.
7. The extract from the protocol in the form established by the Central Election Commission containing data related to the respective polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be issued along with voting ballots to representatives of each precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum upon their signing by the Chair and Deputy Chair of the district commission and three members of the respective precinct commission and affixing the seal the district commission.
8. Precinct commissions on the All-Ukrainian referendum of the foreign districts shall receive

ballots under the procedure established by the Central Election Commission. The authorized person, official observer present during the issue of voting ballots shall be entitled to immediately receive copies of respective documents at their request.

9. The authorized person or the official observer who were present during the issue of voting ballots shall be entitled to receive, immediately upon their request, copies of protocols specified in Parts One and Five of this Article with each page signed by the Chair and the Secretary of the respective commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum and stamped with the commission seal in the amount of at most one protocol copy per a respective party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process.
10. Members of precinct commissions of regular and special polling stations of the All-Ukrainian referendum (but for polling stations on vessels sailing at the respective time under the State Flag of Ukraine or on the polar station of Ukraine) shall transport received voting ballots to the polling station premises in the company of the officer of the National Police of Ukraine.
11. The precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall accept ballots at its session immediately after commission members who received ballots arrive at the polling station. Precinct commission members shall re-count received ballots, check the correspondence of the territorial district and polling station numbers specified on ballots to the number of the polling station that received voting ballots, and shall stamp allocated places on each ballot with a seal of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum.
12. During ballot count, the commission member chosen by the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall count voting ballots aloud. Other commission members shall observe the counting. During ballot counting, it is prohibited to divide the commission into several groups each counting a part of ballots.
13. If the number of voting ballots does not correspond to the quantity specified in the extract from the protocol of the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum on the issue of voting ballots, the precinct commission shall execute two copies of a non-conformance report specifying the reason of such non-conformance determined by the precinct commission decision. This report shall be executed in the form and manner established by the Central Election Commission. One copy of the report shall be forwarded to the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum, while the second shall be stored by the precinct commission. In the event of such non-conformance, the number of ballots determined at the precinct commission session and recorded in the non-conformance report and the minutes of the commission session shall be deemed the number of voting ballots received by the polling station.
14. Ballots shall be stored in the premises of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum in the safe (metal cabinet) that is sealed at the session with a strap containing signatures of all commission members present during the session and stamped with the seal of the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum. The safe shall always be guarded by the police officer (until the preparatory session of the commission starts as stipulated by Article 104 of this Law).
15. If it is impossible to forward ballots from the Central Election Commission to the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum, respective ballots shall be deemed unused and shall be invalidated by the Central Election Commission by sending them to the manufacturing enterprise for destruction. Ballots shall be destroyed by the manufacturing enterprise in the presence of representatives of the Central Election Commission and the monitoring commission established by it under Part Four Article 101 of this Law, and the respective report shall be executed.

If it is impossible to forward ballots from the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum to the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum, respective ballots shall be deemed unused and the respective report executed in two copies using the form established by the Central Election Commission. One copy of the report shall be sent to the Central Election Commission, while the second shall be stored at the respective district

commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum. Such ballots shall be invalidated by the district commission after the voting is finished by way of detaching the bottom right corner of the ballot. Invalidated unused ballots shall be packed, and the package shall be marked with the phrase "Unused ballots invalidated by the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum" specifying the number of the territorial district, the number of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum, the quantity of packed ballots, signed by all present members of the district commission and stamped with the commission seal.

Article 103. Premises for Voting

1. The voting shall take place in the specially designated and equipped place with booths for secret voting and allocated places for voting ballot issue and installation of ballot boxes. One voting premises shall be equipped at one polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum. Control over the equipment of voting premises shall be vested in the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum.
2. Executive and local self-government authorities shall provide polling stations of the All-Ukrainian referendum with required voting premises suitable for voting as required by this Law and regulations established by the Central Election Commission, and shall provide technical assistance during the equipment of such polling stations.
3. Voting premises of the small polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum shall have an area of at least 50 square meters, the medium polling station - at least 75 square meters, and the large polling station - at least 90 square meters.
4. If the premises of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum and the voting premises cannot be fully adapted to the needs of persons with disability and other low-mobility population groups, respective executive and local self-government authorities shall organize unimpeded access of said individuals to such premises.
5. Voting premises shall be equipped with a sufficient number of booths for secret voting. For small polling stations of the All-Ukrainian referendum, there must be at least two booths, for medium - at least four booths, and for large - at least six booths. Equipment shall be located in the voting premises in a way that places for the voting ballot issue, entry into and exit from the booths for secret voting, and ballot boxes were in sight of members of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum and persons with a right to be present in the voting premises under this Law, as well as in a way that ensures the free movement of voters, including people using wheelchairs and other low-mobility population groups.
6. Voting premises at the special polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum must be accessible to members of the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum, authorized representatives of the parties to the All-Ukrainian referendum process, official and international observers and media representatives, officials of the respective territorial and regional representative office of the Central Election Commission.

Heads of establishments, institutions, commanders of military units (formations) where such polling stations are established must ensure unimpeded access to the voting premises for members of the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum, voters included in the voter list at the given polling station, authorized persons of the parties to the All-Ukrainian referendum, official and international observers and media representatives.
7. Each polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be provided with the required amount of ballot boxes - stationary (large) and mobile (small). Ballot boxes shall be made of transparent material according to the size determined by the Central Election Commission. A small polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum must have at least two stationary ballot boxes, medium - at least three stationary ballot boxes, and large - at least four stationary ballot boxes. Each polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum shall have at least two mobile ballot boxes. Stationary ballot boxes shall be installed in the voting premises so that voters had an opportunity to pass through booths (rooms) for secret voting on their way to ballot boxes. The procedure for manufacturing, accounting, using, and storing ballot boxes shall be determined by the Central Election Commission.

8. The precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum must ensure the placement of official informative materials on the All-Ukrainian referendum in the voting premises or right in front of them.
9. The precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum must ensure a possibility for voters to review the issue put to the All-Ukrainian referendum in the voting premises, and if the All-Ukrainian referendum offers to recognize a law (its separate provisions) as such that lost effect - with the text of such law, information posters from the initiative group, political parties, public organizations - parties to the All-Ukrainian referendum with the substantiation of their stand concerning the issue of the All-Ukrainian referendum (should respective parties provide them).
10. Information posters shall be placed with a view to make them accessible for review by persons moving on wheelchairs and considering the requirements established by the Central Election Commission.
11. Precinct commissions on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall assist voters who cannot review information posters of the parties to the All-Ukrainian referendum in accessing their content in a way that is most convenient for voters.

Article 104. Preparing for Voting

1. The precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum of the regular or special polling station shall inform its voters included in the voter list on this polling station of the voting date, time, and venue using personal invitations sent under the requirements of this Law.
2. The precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall hold a preparatory session no earlier than 45 minutes before the voting starts on the voting day. At the beginning of the session, all attendees shall inspect the strap used to seal the safe (metal cabinet) where voting ballots are stored.
3. If the strap on the safe (metal cabinet) is not damaged and has relevant signatures and the seal, the Chair of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall let precinct commission members, attending authorized persons of the parties to the All-Ukrainian referendum process, official and international observers and media representatives inspect all ballot boxes available at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum.

After each ballot box is inspected, it shall be sealed or stamped with the seal of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum, whereafter the control sheet is dropped inside specifying the number of the territorial district and the number of the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum, the time when the control sheet is dropped into the ballot box, signatures of all attending members of the precinct commission, and - at their discretion - signatures of authorized persons of the parties to the All-Ukrainian referendum process, official observers. Signatures shall be stamped with a seal of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum. After the control sheet is dropped into the ballot box, the commission Chair shall present the next ballot box for inspection and repeat the same procedure.

After the last ballot box is sealed and the control sheet is dropped inside, and the stationary (large) ballot boxes are located in the dedicated places, the voting premises shall be deemed ready for voting. Mobile (small) ballot boxes shall be placed in the voting premises with their ballot holes down and located in sight of members of the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum and other individuals present in the voting premises as required by this Law.

4. If the inspection of the strap used to seal the safe (metal cabinet) where voting ballots are stored shows that the strap is damaged or signatures and a seal on it do not correspond to signatures and the seal specified in Part Fourteen Article 102 of this Law, the Chair, Deputy Chair or Secretary of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall immediately inform this fact to the bodies of the National Police of Ukraine and the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum.

Then, the Chair, Deputy Chair, or Secretary of the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall immediately open the safe (metal cabinet) and remove voting ballots from it. Members of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall inspect voting ballots, including for the conformity of numbers of the district and the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum, the presence of the seal of this precinct commission, whereafter they re-count voting ballots in the manner established by Part Twelve Article 102 of this Law. The precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall execute a report on identified signs of safe (metal cabinet) being opened and (if found) on the non-conformity of voting ballot number. The said report shall be executed in the form and manner established by the Central Election Commission. The number of voting ballots found in the safe (metal cabinet) shall be recorded in the minutes of the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum session. In this case, the established quantity shall be deemed the number of ballots received by the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum.

5. If the strap on the safe (metal cabinet) is not damaged and contains relevant signatures and the seal, after sealing and installing ballot boxes under Part Three of this Article, the safe (metal cabinet) with ballots shall be opened. The Chair of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall remove from the safe ballots and extract from the protocol of the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum on the issue of voting ballots to the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum.
6. Based on the extract from the protocol of the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum on the issue of voting ballots to the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum or the report specified in Part Four of this Article, the precinct commission Chair shall announce the number of voting ballots received by the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum. The commission Secretary shall enter this number in the precinct commission protocol on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum, and record it in the minutes of the commission session.
7. The precinct commission Chair shall issue the required number of voting ballots to members of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum who will then issue ballots to voters in the voting premises and organize mobile voting. Commission members who organizing mobile voting shall be issued two ballots over the number of voters included in the extract from the voter list specified in Part Three Article 106 of this Law.

The fact of ballot issue shall be recorded in the report in the form established by the Central Election Commission. Specified commission members shall confirm the receipt of ballots by affixing their signatures in the report and shall ensure their safe-keeping and observance of the procedure for their issue to voters as determined by this Law. After this procedure, no voting ballot shall be remained in the safe (metal cabinet).

Article 105. Organization and Procedure of Voting in the Voting Premises

1. Voting shall continuously take place on the voting day from eighth to twentieth o'clock. At the polling stations of the All-Ukrainian referendum abroad, voting shall take place at the local time of the country where such polling stations are located.
2. The organization of voting and maintenance of due order in the voting premises, ensuring of secrecy of voting shall be the responsibility of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum. In case of violations that presuppose responsibility under the Law, the Chair or the Deputy Chair of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be entitled to invite the officer of the National Police of Ukraine inside who must take the offender outside the voting premises and there, take measures prescribed by the law. In all other cases, officers of the National Police of Ukraine are not allowed to be present inside the voting premises.
3. During voting at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum, two members of the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall provide the voter with a possibility to vote: upon voter's presentation of one of the documents specified in Article 6 of this Law and provided that the voter is included in the voter list on the given polling station, one precinct

commission member offers the voter to sign the voter list; the second precinct commission member enters his or her last name and signs the voting ballot and the ballot counterfoil in designated places. The voter shall sign the voter list and the designated place on the ballot counterfoil to confirm voting ballot receipt. Then, the member of the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall detach the counterfoil from the voting ballot and issue the voting ballot to the voter. The ballot counterfoil shall be kept by the commission member who issued the ballot. Any other marks on the voting ballot are prohibited.

4. The voter may stay on the voting premises only during the time needed for voting.
5. The voter shall personally fill in the ballot in the booth for secret voting. The presence of other persons in the booth for secret voting is prohibited at the time of ballot filling. Upon prior notification of the Chair or other member of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum, the voter who due to physical impairments cannot fill in the ballot him or herself shall use the assistance of another voter, except the member of the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum, authorized persons of the party to the referendum process, or official observers.
6. Voters shall have no right to give their voting ballots to other individuals. It is prohibited to receive voting ballots from individuals other than the member of the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum authorized to issue ballots, encourage, or coerce voters to give their voting ballots to other individuals through bribes, threats, or otherwise.
7. The voter shall make one "plus" mark ("+") or another mark on the voting ballot in the relevant square under the answer to the All-Ukrainian referendum issue, which will indicate the voter's will.
8. The voter shall personally drop the filled in voting ballot into the ballot box. Voters who due to their physical impairments cannot drop their ballots into the ballot box shall be entitled to ask another person do it for them in their presence, except members of the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum, the authorized person of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process, or official observer upon prior notification of the Chair or other member of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum.
9. If the ballot box is damaged during voting, it shall be sealed by the Chair and at least three members of the precinct commission representing different parties to the All-Ukrainian referendum process. This shall be done in a way that makes it impossible to drop or remove any voting ballots.

During voting, such ballot box shall stay in the voting premises within sight of commission members and other individuals present at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum as required by this Law, and shall not be used until the voting ends.

10. If the voter makes a mistake when filling in the voting ballot, he or she shall have the right to immediately address the member of the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum who issued the respective voting ballot with an application requesting to issue another ballot. The commission member shall issue the voter another voting ballot in the manner established by Part Three of this Article only in exchange for the ballot returned by the voter, which fact the member of the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall note in the voter list by making a respective mark opposite the voter's last name and confirming this by his or her signature.

The commission member that issued the respective ballot shall invalidate it as unused and execute a respective report. This report shall be signed by two members of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum who registered ballot issue and by the voter who spoiled the ballot, whereafter the report shall be attached to the voter list.

The commission member who issued the ballot shall keep such invalidated ballot until vote count. During vote count, this ballot shall be counted as unused and packed along with its counterfoil into a package with unused voting ballots. It is prohibited to re-issue the ballot to replace the one returned by the voter.

11. Five minutes before 20:00 o'clock, the Chair of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall announce the end of voting and closing of the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum at 20:00. Voters who came to the polling station as of 20:00 shall have the right to vote. To ensure the exercise of such right by voters, at 20:00 one of the commission members, upon the instruction by the Chair of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum, shall approach the entrance and invite all voters who have not voted to enter the voting premises, and then close the door. After the last voter exists the voting premises, the free access of voters and other individuals to the said premises shall be stopped (but for members of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum and individuals with a right to attend the session of the precinct commission without permission and invitation).
12. At the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum set up on a vessel sailing under the State Flag of Ukraine on the voting day and the polar station of Ukraine, the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum may announce the voting to be finished before the time determined by Part One of this Article if all voters included in the voter list on this polling station have voted. Vote count on such polling station shall take place in the manner established by this Law immediately after the voting is announced to be finished.

Article 106. Arrangement of Mobile Voting

1. Voters who are included in the voter list on the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum but are unable to move due to their age or health condition shall be provided by the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum with a possibility to vote at home.
2. To arrange mobile voting for voters unable to move, on the last day before voting, the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall prepare an extract from the voter list in the form established by the Central Commission.

Once executed, such extract shall be immediately made available for review at the premises of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum.

3. The extract from the voter list shall include:
 - 1) without the commission decision - voters who are permanently incapable of moving where there is a respective mark opposite their last names in the voter list as provided for by this Law if such voters have not notified the respective precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum in writing or personally of their wish to vote at the voting premises by 12 o'clock in the afternoon of the last day before voting;
 - 2) according to the decision of the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum - voters who are temporarily unable to move based on the document confirming the corresponding fact and the application submitted to the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum with a request to arrange mobile voting for such a voter. Such an application specifying the voter's place of stay may be submitted no later than 20:00 on the last Friday before the voting day.
4. Voter's application with a request for mobile voting shall be registered by the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum in a separate log where the date and time of its receipt, voter's full name and place of stay are specified.
5. When the voter is included into the extract from the voter list, the Secretary of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall make an entry "mobile voting" in the voter list of the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum.
6. At the special polling stations of the All-Ukrainian referendum established at in-patient medical facilities, mobile voting shall take place based on the personal application written by the voter with a request to arrange mobile voting due to the need to remain on bed rest. Instead of the voter who cannot write such an application, it can be written by another person who must specify the respective fact in this application.

Article 107. The Procedure for Counting Votes Cast at the Polling Station of the All-

Ukrainian Referendum

1. Voters' votes shall be counted after the voting is finished and only by members of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum during its session which shall last without breaks until all votes are counted. Minutes of this session of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be executed and signed in the same premises where the voting took place.
2. If during voting the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum received applications, complaints concerning violations that had occurred during voting at this polling station, the precinct commission shall consider them at the beginning of the session before starting vote count at the polling station.
3. Votes shall be counted at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum openly and transparently and only by members of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum. Votes shall be counted at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum in the manner established by this Article.
4. After the voting is finished, the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall determine the number of voters who took part in the voting on the given polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum based on the respective voter list.
5. Before starting vote count, the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall count unused ballots. The number of such ballots shall be announced and recorded by the commission secretary in the protocol on vote count. Unused ballots shall be invalidated by detaching the bottom right corner of the ballot. When counting unused ballots and voter's votes, making any marks, notes on voting ballots is prohibited.
6. After this, unused ballots (along with counterfoils) and ballots specified in Article 104 of this Law shall be packed. The package with documents of the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be sealed; the package shall specify the type of packed documents and their quantity, as well as the number of the territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum or the marking of the foreign district of the All-Ukrainian referendum, the number of the polling station abroad, date and time of packing, signatures of all present commission members and the seal of the precinct commission. The phrase "Unused ballots" shall be written on the package.
7. The precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall count the number of voters who received ballots based on signatures in the voter list. This number shall be announced.
8. The precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall count the number of ballot counterfoils with signatures of voters and commission members who issued them. The number of counterfoils is then announced.
9. If the number of counterfoils specified in part Eight of this Article corresponds to the quantity of voters who received ballots under Part Seven of this Article, this amount shall be announced and entered in the section "The number of voters who received ballots" of the protocol on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum.
10. If the number of counterfoils specified in part Eight of this Article does not correspond to the quantity of voters who received ballots, the report shall be executed specifying the reason for such non-conformity determined by the decision of the precinct commission which is to be signed by present members of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum. Signatures shall be stamped with a seal of the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum. Then, the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall make a decision on determining the number of voters who received ballots. This number is then announced and entered in the protocol on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum.
11. A voter list, extract from the voter list attached thereto, and applications that served as the basis for extract execution shall be packed in a separate package. The package with documents of the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be sealed; the package shall specify the type of packed documents and their quantity, as well as the number of the territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum or the marking of the foreign district of the All-Ukrainian

referendum, the number of the polling station abroad, date and time of packing, signatures of all present precinct commission members, and the seal of the precinct commission. The phrase "Voter lists" shall be written on the package.

12. Ballot counterfoils shall be packed in a separate package. The package with documents of the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be sealed; the package shall specify the type of packed documents and their quantity, as well as the number of the territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum or the marking of the foreign district of the All-Ukrainian referendum, the number of the polling station abroad, date and time of packing, signatures of all present precinct commission members, and the seal of the precinct commission. The phrase "Counterfoils" shall be written on the package.
13. The precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall verify that the sum of unused ballots and the number of voters who received ballots is equal to the number of ballots received by the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum. In case of non-conformance of these data, the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum executes a report specifying reasons for such non-conformance established by the commission decision, and such report is then signed by the present members of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum. Signatures shall be then stamped with the precinct commission seal.
14. The Chair of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum in the presence of this precinct commission members and other individuals who can attend the commission session under this Law shall verify that the seal imprint and the security label on the ballot boxes are intact.
15. In case of damages to security labels, straps, or seals or other damages on ballot boxes that compromise the integrity of the ballot box, the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall execute a report in the form and manner established by the Central Election Commission specifying the nature of identified damages.
16. Ballot boxes shall be opened by the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum one by one. Mobile boxes used during mobile voting shall be opened first, and the last to open are ballot boxes with damaged security labels, straps, or seals or other damages that compromise the integrity of the ballot box and that were identified during voting (if any).
17. Once the intact ballot box is opened, its content shall be emptied on the table with members of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum behind it. Herewith, commission members verify the presence in the ballot box of the control sheet (control sheets - for the mobile ballot box).
18. Ballots from the damaged ballot box shall be removed one by one without mixing them. The precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall count the number of ballots in the ballot box. Herewith they verify the presence in the ballot box of the control sheet which is to be removed the last.
19. The total number of ballots in each ballot box shall be counted separately. There is no need to determine voting results for each ballot box separately. During ballot count, the commission member chosen by the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall count voting ballots aloud. Other commission members shall observe the counting. During ballot counting, it is prohibited to divide the commission into several groups each counting a part of ballots.
20. All objects found in ballot boxes other than voting ballots of the established form shall be put aside and not counted. Such objects include control sheets. In case of doubts as to whether the object is a voting ballot, the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall resolve such issue by voting. Each commission member shall have the right to inspect the object personally. The voting shall be suspended for the time of such inspection. Objects other than voting ballots shall be packed.

The package with documents of the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be sealed; the package

shall specify the type of packed documents, as well as the number of the territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum or the marking of the foreign district of the All-Ukrainian referendum, the number of the polling station abroad, date and time of packing, signatures of all present members of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum, and the seal of this commission. The phrase "Objects" shall be written on the package.

21. Once the mobile ballot box is opened, if there are more voting ballots inside than the number specified in the control sheet in this ballot box, the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall execute a report on such non-conformance in the form and manner established by the Central Election Commission specifying the number of voting ballots in this ballot box and last names of members of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum who signed said ballots.
22. When executing the report specified in Part Twenty-One of this Article, the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall verify that voting ballots found in the mobile box have the number of the respective territorial district and polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum, the imprint of the seal of the relevant precinct commission, specified last names and signatures of the relevant precinct commission members who carried out mobile voting. Ballots with inappropriate signs shall not be taken into account when determining the total number of participating voters and during vote count. If after separating ballots with inappropriate signs from voting ballots subject to be taken into account, the non-correspondence specified in Part Twenty-One of this Article is eliminated, all valid ballots shall be taken into account when determining the total number of participating voters and during counting votes at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum. If no ballots with inappropriate signs are identified or their separation from valid ballots subject to be taken into account does not eliminate the non-conformance specified in Part Twenty-One of this Article, all voting ballots from the mobile ballot box shall not be taken into account when determining the total number of participating voters and counting votes.
23. If there is no control sheet in the ballot box (control sheets for the mobile ballot box), the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall execute a report in the form and manner established by the Central Election Commission stating the absence of the control sheet (control sheets) in the ballot box specifying the actual number of ballots in this ballot box. Such ballot shall not be taken into account when determining the total number of participating voters and counting votes.
24. If commission members have doubts concerning the validity of the control sheet and in other questionable situations set forth in Parts Twenty-One and Twenty-Three of this Article, the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall make a decision on recognizing ballots in this ballot box as such that are not subject to be taken into account when determining the total number of participating voters and counting votes. The respective decision and voting results shall be recorded in the minutes of the commission session.
25. Voting ballots found in ballot boxes where the number of the territorial district and/or the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum do not correspond to the number of the polling station where the vote count took place and/or the respective territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum, as well as ballots with no imprint of this precinct commission's seal or with the seal of another commission or any other seal, shall be deemed as such that are not subject to be taken into account when determining the total number of participating voters and counting votes.
26. Once votes are counted in the last ballot box, the total number of ballots in boxes shall be summed up but for ballots that are not subject to be taken into account.

The Chair of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum announces this number and the commission Secretary then records it in the protocol on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum.
27. Ballots that under this Article are not subject to be taken into account when determining the total number of participating voters and counting votes shall be packed. The package with

documents of the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be sealed; the package shall specify the type of packed documents, as well as the number of the territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum or the marking of the foreign district of the All-Ukrainian referendum, the number of the polling station abroad, date and time of packing, signatures of all present precinct commission members, and the seal of this precinct commission. The phrase "Ballots not taken into account" shall be written on the package.

28. Voting ballots to be taken into account shall be placed on designated spots marked with sign plates saying "yes", "no", and "invalid" on both sides. When placing ballots on designated spots, the commission member appointed by the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall show each ballot to all commission members and announce the voter's choice.

29. The ballot shall be deemed invalid if:

- 1) it contains no last name and/or signature of the member of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum who issued this ballot;
- 2) there is more than one mark in respective squares;
- 3) there is no mark on the ballot;
- 4) the ballot counterfoil is not detached;
- 5) the voter's choice cannot be ascertained for any other reasons.

30. During ballot count, the commission member chosen by the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall count voting ballots aloud. Other commission members shall observe the counting.

During ballot counting, it is prohibited to divide the commission into several groups each counting a part of ballots. If commission members have doubts concerning the ballot content, the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall resolve this issue by voting. Before voting, each commission member shall have the right to personally review the ballot. While the commission members inspect the ballot and vote, counting of other ballots shall be suspended. The respective decision and voting results shall be recorded in the minutes of the commission session.

31. Invalid ballots shall be counted separately. The Chair of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum announces their number and the commission Secretary then records it in the protocol on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum.

Then, invalid ballots are packed. The package with documents of the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be sealed; the package shall specify the type of packed documents, as well as the number of the territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum or the marking of the foreign district of the All-Ukrainian referendum, the number of the polling station abroad, date and time of packing, signatures of all present members of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum, and the seal of this commission. The phrase "Invalid ballots" shall be written on the package.

32. The precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall count the number of votes for the All-Ukrainian referendum issue and the number of votes against it.

During vote count, each member of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be entitled to check or re-count respective ballots. The precinct commission Chair announces the results of vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum, and the commission Secretary then records this number in the protocol on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum.

33. During vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum, the precinct commission must verify that the number of voters who took part in voting on the polling station is equal to the sum of invalid ballots, ballots with votes for and against the All-Ukrainian referendum issue. If these data do not match, the precinct commission on the All-

Ukrainian referendum may re-count ballots. If the specified non-conformance is confirmed, the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall execute a report and specify the reason for such non-conformance established by its decision in the form and manner determined by the Central Election Commission.

34. Ballots with votes cast for and against the All-Ukrainian referendum issue shall be packed separately. The package with documents of the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be sealed; the package shall specify the type of packed documents, as well as the number of the territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum or the marking of the foreign district of the All-Ukrainian referendum, the number of the polling station abroad, date and time of packing, signatures of all present precinct commission members, and the seal of this precinct commission. The phrase "Yes" or "No" shall be written on respective packages.
35. Documents of the All-Ukrainian referendum stipulated by this Law shall be packed so that no voting ballot nor other documents could be removed or inserted without breaking the seal imprint or the package.

Article 108. Protocol of the Precinct Commission on the All-Ukrainian Referendum on Counting Votes Cast by Voters at the Polling Station of the All-Ukrainian Referendum

1. During its session, the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall execute a protocol on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum. The form of the protocol of the All-Ukrainian referendum on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be approved by the Central Election Commission no later than thirty days before the voting day.
2. The following data in words and numbers shall be entered in the protocol of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum:
 - 1) the number of voting ballots received by the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum;
 - 2) the number of unused voting ballots;
 - 3) the number of voters on the voter list at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum (at the end of voting);
 - 4) the number of voters included in the extract from the voter list for mobile voting at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum;
 - 5) the number of voters who received voting ballots;
 - 6) the number of voters who received voting ballots for mobile voting;
 - 7) the number of voters who cast votes;
 - 8) the number of voting ballots that are not subject to be taken into account;
 - 9) the number of voting ballots found invalid;
 - 10) the number of votes cast for the question in the All-Ukrainian referendum;
 - 11) the number of votes cast against the question in the All-Ukrainian referendum.
3. The protocol on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be executed by the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum in the number of copies that exceeds the number of members of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum by four copies. Protocol copies shall be numbered and have equal legal force.
4. The protocol on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum shall specify the date and time (hours and minutes) of its signing by members of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum. Each copy of the protocol shall be signed by the Chair, Deputy Chair, Secretary, and other members of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum present at the commission session. If the commission member does not agree with the commission actions or the results of vote count, such commission

member shall sign the protocol and add a note "with a dissenting opinion". The written statement of dissenting opinion shall be attached to the protocol on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum. This protocol shall be signed and stamped by the seal of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum only after it is fully completed.

If any of commission members fail or refuse to sign the protocol, it shall have no legal consequences for the protocol validity.

5. The first and second copies of the protocol on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum can be signed by authorized persons, official observers present during vote count at the session of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum.
6. It is prohibited to complete protocols on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum with a pencil or make any corrections in them.
7. If the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum detects inaccuracies (a typo or a mistake in numbers) after signing the protocol on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum but before the protocol is sent to the Central Election Commission along with other documents of the All-Ukrainian referendum, the commission shall consider during the same session the issue of making changes to the determined voting results at the polling station by executing a new protocol on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum and eliminating inaccuracies. This new protocol shall be marked with the note "Adjusted". Herewith, voting ballots shall not be re-counted. The protocol with the note "Adjusted" shall be executed in the number of copies specified in Part Three of this Article and shall be signed in the manner established by Part Four of this Article. The fact of execution of the protocol with the note "Adjusted" shall be specified in the minutes of the session of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum.
8. Data from the protocol of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be generated and forwarded (if technically possible) to the Central Election Commission using automated information and analytical system and in the manner established by the Central Election Commission.
9. The first and second copies of the protocol of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum, and if available - respective copies of the protocol with the note "Adjusted" - shall be packed in the package with the special protection system. The package with documents of the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be sealed; the package shall specify the type of packed documents, as well as the number of the territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum or the marking of the foreign district of the All-Ukrainian referendum, the number of the polling station abroad, date and time of packing, signatures of all present precinct commission members, and the seal of this precinct commission. The phrase "Protocol on vote count" shall be written on the package. The third copy of the protocol of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum, as well as a respective copy of the protocol with the note "Adjusted" (if any), shall be stored with the Secretary of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum. The fourth copy of the said protocol shall be immediately posted on the premises of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum for public review, while the remaining copies shall be issued to precinct commission members.
10. Upon request of authorized persons, official observers present during vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum, they shall be immediately provided with copies of the protocol on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum, including the protocol with the note "Adjusted" signed by the Chair and Secretary of the precinct commission and stamped with its seal in the amount of one copy of each protocol per every party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process.
11. The fact confirming the issue of copies of the protocol on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be reflected in the report executed in the form established

by the Central Election Commission. The report shall specify a list of individuals who received copies of the respective protocol, the ordinal number of the copy, date, and time when the copy was received, and signatures of these persons. The report shall be signed by the Chair and the Secretary of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum and stamped with the precinct commission seal. Then, the report is packed along with the first and second copies of the protocol of the precinct commission on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum.

12. Packages with protocols of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum, voting ballots, counterfoils and objects, voter lists, as well as dissenting opinions of precinct commission members (if any), reports, applications, complaints, and decisions made by the commission shall be delivered to the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum in the manner established by Part One Article 109 of this Law immediately after the precinct commission session ends.

Article 109. Recognition by the Precinct Commission on the All-Ukrainian Referendum of Voting at the Polling Station of the All-Ukrainian Referendum as Invalid

1. Precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum may recognize voting at its polling station invalid if it finds violations of this Law that result in the inability to determine reliable results of voters' will in the following circumstances:
 - 1) the number of cases of illegal voting (another person drops voting ballots in the ballot box instead of voters, save for cases stipulated by the this Law; votes are cast by persons who have no right to the same; votes are cast by persons who are not included in the voter list at this polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum or are included in it without due grounds for it; voters cast votes more than once) exceeds the number of voters who received voting ballots at the given polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum by 5%;
 - 2) destruction or damage of the ballot box (boxes) which makes it impossible to determine the voting ballot content if the number of such ballots exceeds the number of voters who received voting ballots at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum by 10%;
 - 3) the number of ballots found in ballot boxes exceeds the number of voters who received voting ballots at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum by 10%.
2. In case of circumstances specified in Part One of this Article, in each separate case, the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall execute a report in the form and manner established by the Central Election Commission. Such report (reports) shall constitute a ground for the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian to consider finding the voting at the given polling station invalid.
3. If the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum makes a decision on finding the voting at this polling station invalid, the protocol of this commission on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum shall contain only data outlined in paragraphs 1-6 Part Two Article 108 of this Law. A dash shall be written instead of other data. The protocol on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be executed by the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum under the procedure determined by Article 108 of this Law.
4. If the decision is made to recognize the voting at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum invalid, all voting ballots found in ballot boxes shall be packed. The package with documents of the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be sealed; the package shall specify the type of packed documents, as well as the number of the territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum or the marking of the foreign district of the All-Ukrainian referendum, the number of the polling station abroad, date and time of packing, signatures of all present precinct commission members, and the seal of this precinct commission. The phrase "Voting

ballots" shall be written on the package.

5. The decision of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum on finding voting at this polling station invalid and the report (reports) that served as a basis for such a decision, shall be attached to the protocol on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum, packed and transported to the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum in the manner determined by Part One Article 109 of this Law.

Article 110. The Procedure of Transporting and Submission of Documents of the All-Ukrainian Referendum to the District Commission on the All-Ukrainian Referendum

1. Documents specified in Part Twelve Article 107 of this Law shall be transported by the Chair or Deputy Chair of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum and two other commission members guarded by two police officers and - if needed and upon the request of the Central Election Commission - by officers of the Security Service of Ukraine. Other members of the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum, authorized persons, official observers may, at their discretion, accompany them during the transportation of such documents. Other persons are prohibited from accompanying such documents. During document transportation, it is prohibited to unseal packages with ballots and other documents.
2. The Secretary of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum, other commission members who do not accompany document transportation to the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall stay on the premises of the precinct commission until they are notified that protocols on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum were accepted by the respective district commission. During document transportation, the seal of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum and forms of protocols on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum if they were not used to execute the protocol with the note "Adjusted" before sending these protocols with other documentation to the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum, shall be stored in the safe (metal cabinet) in the premises of the respective precinct commission.
3. The protocol on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be submitted to the respective district commission during its session.
4. Upon protocol signing by the precinct commission members, the content of the protocol on vote count at the special polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum set up on the vessel sailing under the State Flag of Ukraine on the voting day and the polar station of Ukraine shall be immediately forwarded by the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum to the respective district commission using technical communication means with the mandatory subsequent sending to such district commission of the first and second copies of the protocol on vote count at this polling station and other documents stipulated by Part Twelve Article 107 of this Law.
5. After its signing by members of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum, the content of the protocol on vote count at the polling station abroad shall be immediately forwarded by the precinct commission to the Central Election Commission using technical communication means with the mandatory subsequent submission of the first and second copies of the protocol on vote count at this polling station through relevant central executive authorities in the manner established by the Central Election Commission. Documents stipulated by Part Twelve Article 107 of this Law shall be attached to the protocols.

Article 111. The Procedure for Accepting and Reviewing Documents from Precinct Commissions on the All-Ukrainian Referendum by the District Commission on the All-Ukrainian Referendum

1. The moment the voting ends, the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum starts its session which lasts continuously until voting results in the territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum are determined. At this time, members of the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum cannot be engaged in any other functions except the

participation in the commission session.

2. The session of the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum is recorded in the form of minutes of the continuous session which is then signed by the session Chair, as well as the commission Secretary or member fulfilling Secretary duties during such session. Dissenting opinions (if any) of the district commission members who participated in the session and disagree with the decision adopted by the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be attached to the minutes.
3. During the session of the district commission, its Chair shall accept sealed packages with protocols of precinct commissions on the All-Ukrainian referendum, open them and announce the content of protocols on vote count at respective polling stations, and accept sealed packages with other documents of the All-Ukrainian referendum stipulated by part Twelve Article 107 of this Law. The time when the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum accepts the protocol of the precinct commission on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum, a list of accepted documents, and data included in the protocol on vote count at this polling station that were announced by the Chair of the district commission shall be recorded in the minutes of the district commission session.
4. When accepting documents from the precinct commission, the district commission shall verify the completeness of documents and the integrity of all packages with documents of the All-Ukrainian referendum. Herewith, every member of the district commission shall be entitled to review each package with documents. If the document set is complete and the packages intact, the package with a protocol on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum is opened and data specified therein announced.

Based on the results of review of documents from the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum and complaints of violations of this Law during voting and vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum, and transportation of documents to the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum, that were submitted to the district commission at the time of acceptance of precinct commission documents, the former shall make one of the following decisions:

- 1) accept documents of the All-Ukrainian referendum from the precinct commission and take into account data from its protocol on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum when determining the results of voting within the given territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum;
 - 2) refuse to accept the protocol on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum from the precinct commission and oblige the latter to correct identified shortcomings;
 - 3) re-count votes at the polling stations of the All-Ukrainian referendum.
5. The decision stipulated by Part Four of this Article shall be made through voting of all district commission members present at the commission session by the majority of votes and recorded in the minutes of the district commission session.
 6. The protocol of the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be reviewed by the district commission after its announcement. If the district commission finds mistakes, inaccuracies in the precinct commission's protocol on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum, then the district commission may oblige the precinct commission to make changes in the protocol on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum in accordance with the requirements of Part Seven Article 107 of this Law which fact shall be recorded in the minutes of the district commission session. While this issue is considered, protocols on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum submitted by the precinct commission to the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum and documents attached thereto shall be stored at the district commission.
 7. The precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum must consider the issue of making

changes in the protocol on vote count without re-counting ballots within the term determined by the district commission. The protocol with the note "Adjusted" shall be transported to the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum in the manner established by Article 109 of this Law. The time when the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum accepts the precinct commission protocol with the note "Adjusted" and data specified in the same shall be recorded in the minutes of the session of the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum.

Article 112. Recounting Votes Cast at the Polling Station of the All-Ukrainian Referendum

1. Should there be complaints confirmed based on reports executed by authorized persons of the parties to the All-Ukrainian referendum, official observers, voters concerning violations of the requirements of this Law during voting and/or vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum that cast doubt on the results of vote count at this polling station, as well as in the presence of the report or written complaint from individuals specified in Part One Article 110 of this Law concerning violations of this Law during the transportation of protocols on vote count and other documents to the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum, the latter may make a decision on re-counting of votes cast at the respective polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum.

2. If inaccuracies in the precinct commission protocol cannot be eliminated without ballot recounting, as well as in the event of evident signs of opening of packages with packed documents from the precinct commission, the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum must make a decision on recounting of votes cast at this polling station.

3. Until recounting is completed, protocols on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum and sealed packages with other documents from this precinct commission shall be stored in the premises where the session of the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum takes place.

4. Votes cast at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be re-counted by the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum after the review and acceptance of protocols and other documents from all precinct commissions in the manner established by Article 106 of this Law. All members of the relevant district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum are entitled to take part in recounting by the district commission of votes cast at the given polling station, while authorized persons of the parties to the All-Ukrainian referendum process, official observers may be present during this procedure.

5. Based on the results of vote count at the polling station, the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum executes a protocol on recounting of votes at the relevant polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum using the form established by the Central Election Commission. This protocol must contain data stipulated by Part Two Article 107 of this Law.

6. The protocol on recounting of votes at the respective polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be executed by the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum in the number of copies that exceeds the number of district commission members by four copies. Protocol copies shall be numbered and have equal legal force. All protocol copies are the signed by present members of the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum and members of the precinct commission who took part in recounting at the relevant polling station and are stamped with the seal of the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum. Protocol content shall be announced during its execution in the manner contemplated by Articles 106-108 of this Law. The first and second copies of each protocol can be signed by authorized persons, official observers who were present during such vote recounting.

If any of commission members fail or refuse to sign the protocol, it shall have no legal consequences for the protocol validity.

7. The district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum can make a decision on finding voting at the polling station invalid if during recounting of votes cast at the relevant polling station it finds circumstances set forth in Part One Article 108 of this Law.

8. If recounting results in finding voting at the polling station invalid, the protocol of the district commission on recounting of votes cast at this polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be executed under the procedure established by Parts Five and Six of this Article and must contain only data specified in paragraphs 1-6 Part Two Article 107 of this Law. A dash shall be written instead of other data.

9. The first copy of the district commission protocol on recounting of votes cast at the respective polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum along with a relevant protocol of the precinct commission on vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum, the decision of the district commission on finding voting at this polling station invalid, shall all be attached to the district commission protocol on voting results at the respective territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum. The second copy of the district commission protocol on recounting of votes cast at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be stored by the district commission Secretary, while the third shall be issued to the relevant precinct commission and fourth - immediately posted on the premises of the district commission for public review; the remaining copies are issued to district commission members - one copy per member.

Article 113. Determining the Results of Voting within the Territorial District of the All-Ukrainian Referendum

1. Upon acceptance and review of precinct commission protocols on vote count at their polling stations of the All-Ukrainian referendum, including protocols with the note "Adjusted", based on said protocols from precinct commissions and messages on the content of protocols forwarded using technical communication means from special polling stations set up on vessels sailing under the National Flag of Ukraine on the voting day and the polar station of Ukraine, and in case of recounting - also the district commission protocol on recounting of votes cast at the relevant polling station, the district commission shall determine:

- 1) the number of voting ballots received by the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum;
- 2) the number of voting ballots invalidated by the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum;
- 3) the number of voting ballots received by precinct commissions of the territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum;
- 4) the number of unused voting ballots invalidated by precinct commissions of the territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum;
- 5) the number of voters included in the extracts from the voter list at polling stations of the territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum;
- 6) the number of voters who received voting ballots in the voting premises in the territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum;
- 7) the number of voters who received voting ballots during mobile voting in the territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum;
- 8) the total number of voters included in voter lists at polling stations of the territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum;
- 9) the number of voters who received voting ballots within the territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum;
- 10) the number of voting ballots not subject to be taken into account that were identified at polling stations of the territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum;
- 11) the total number of voters who cast votes within the territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum;
- 12) the number of voting ballots found invalid;

- 13) the number of votes cast for the All-Ukrainian referendum issue;
- 14) the number of votes cast against the All-Ukrainian referendum issue.

2. Information on the results of voting within the territorial district shall be entered in words and numbers into the district commission protocol on voting results in the respective territorial district. Information specified in Part One of this Article shall be entered in the protocol in words and letters for each polling station that is part of the territorial district, as well in aggregate for the entire territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum.

3. The protocol on voting results within the territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be executed by the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum in the number of copies that exceeds the number of district commission members by three copies. Protocol copies shall be numbered and have equal legal force.

4. It is prohibited to fill in the protocol on voting results within the territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum using a pencil, nor is it allowed to sign and stamp it with the district commission seal before it is fully completed.

5. The protocol on voting results within the territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be signed by the Chair, Deputy Chair, Secretary, and other members of the district commission present at the commission session, and then stamped by the seal of the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum. The protocol shall specify date and time (hour and minutes) when it was signed by members of the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum. Should the commission member disagree with voting results, he or she shall sign the protocol and add the note "With a dissenting opinion". A written statement of such dissenting opinion shall be attached to the protocol on voting results. The first copy of the protocol can be signed by authorized persons, official observers present at the time when voting results were determined within the territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum.

If any of commission members fail or refuse to sign the protocol, it shall have no legal consequences for the protocol validity.

6. If after the protocol on voting results within the territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum but before its submission to the Central Election Commission, the district commission identifies inaccuracies (a typo or mistake in numbers), such commission shall, during the same session, consider the issue on making changes in the protocol on voting results within the territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum by executing a new protocol with the note "Adjusted". The protocol with the note "Adjusted" shall be executed and signed in the manner and in such number of copies as established by this Article. The district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum is prohibited from executing the protocol with the note "Adjusted" during another session unless instructed so by the Central Election Commission.

7. The first copy of the district commission protocol on voting results within the territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum and the first copy of the protocol with the note "Adjusted" (if any) shall be packed in the package with a special protection system. The package with documents of the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be sealed; the package shall specify the type of packed documents, as well as the number of the territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum or the marking of the foreign district of the All-Ukrainian referendum, the number of the polling station abroad, date and time of packing, signatures of all present members of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum, and the seal of this commission. The phrase "Protocol on voting results" shall be written on the package.

8. The first copy of the district commission protocol on voting results within the territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum, and in case of changes thereto - the protocol with inaccuracies (typos or mistakes in numbers) and the protocol with the note "Adjusted" along with respective protocols and reports from precinct commissions, decisions made based on these reports, and, if available, district commission protocols on recounting votes cast at the

relevant polling station, dissenting opinions of district commission members set forth in writing, applications and complaints of the violation by the district commission of the procedure for determining voting results within the territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum and decisions made by the district commission based on the results of their review, shall be transported by the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum to the Central Election Commission. The second copy of the protocol shall be stored at the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum, the third is immediately posted on the premises of the district commission for public review, while the remaining protocols are issued to members of the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum - one copy per member.

9. Documents of the All-Ukrainian referendum specified in Part Eight of this Article shall be transported by the district commission Chair or Deputy Chair and two members of this commission.

10. The district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum must determine voting results within the territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum no later than on the fifth day after voting, regardless of the number of polling stations in the respective district where the voting was found invalid. It is prohibited to find voting invalid within the territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum. The protocol on voting results within the territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be transported to the Central Election Commission immediately after its signing.

11. Information on voting results within the territorial district shall be generated and submitted to the Central Election Commission using automated information and analytical system means only after data on vote count from all polling stations in the respective territorial district of the All-Ukrainian referendum have been forwarded to the Central Election Commission by means of this system.

Article 114. Determining the Results of Voting within the Foreign Territorial District of the All-Ukrainian Referendum

1. During its session, the Central Election Commission shall accept, review, and announce from precinct commission protocols on voting results on polling stations abroad or notices on the content of respective protocols forwarded using technical communication means as provided for by Part Eight Article 107 of this Law.

2. During the same session but after accepting and reviewing precinct commission protocols on vote count at polling stations of the All-Ukrainian referendum abroad, the Central Election Commission shall use them and notices on the content of such protocols forwarded using technical communication means to determine for this foreign district of the All-Ukrainian referendum the information stipulated by Part One Article 112 of this Law.

3. Information on voting results in the foreign district of the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be announced during the session of the Central Election Commission and entered in words and numbers into the protocol of the Central Election Commission on voting results in the foreign district of the All-Ukrainian referendum.

4. The protocol specified in Part Three of this Article shall be executed in the manner stipulated by Parts One to Four Article 112 of this Law.

5. The protocol specified in Part Three of this Article shall be executed in two copies. The protocol shall be signed by the Chair, Deputy Chairs, Secretary, and other members of the Central Election Commission present at the session, and then stamped by the seal of the Central Election Commission.

The protocol shall specify date and time (hour and minutes) when it was signed by members of the Central Election Commission. Should the commission member disagree with voting results recorded in the protocol of the Central Election Commission, such member shall sign the protocol and add the note "With a dissenting opinion". A written statement of such dissenting opinion shall be attached to the protocol on voting results. The first protocol copy

can be signed by the representative of the initiative group within the Central Election Commission, authorized persons in the nation-wide district of the All-Ukrainian referendum that were present when voting results were determined for the foreign district of the All-Ukrainian referendum.

If any of commission members fail or refuse to sign the protocol, it shall have no legal consequences for the protocol validity.

6. Immediately upon his or her request, the representative of the initiative group within the Central Election Commission shall be provided with a copy of the Central Election Commission protocol on voting results within the foreign district of the All-Ukrainian referendum, including the protocol with the note "Adjusted". The Chair of the Central Election Commission shall sign each page of the said copy and stamp it with the seal of the Central Election Commission.

7. The Central Election Commission shall determine voting results within the foreign district of the All-Ukrainian referendum regardless of the number of polling stations abroad where voting was found invalid. Finding voting invalid in the entire foreign district of the All-Ukrainian referendum is not allowed.

Article 115. The Procedure of Electronic Voting at the All-Ukrainian Referendum and Determining its Results

1. Voters included in the voter list of the special e-voting polling station can take part in electronic voting. Electronic voting shall take place using automated information and analytical system.

2. The Central Election Commission shall publish a message on its website in the automated information and analytical system with the information on the date of e-voting.

The date and time of e-voting must coincide with the date and time when voting using paperback ballots takes place at regular and overseas polling stations of the All-Ukrainian referendum.

Such message shall be accompanied by the explanation of the e-voting procedure. The Central Election Commission shall also publish information which enables the voter to review the issue put to the All-Ukrainian referendum, the text of draft law that is to be approved at the All-Ukrainian referendum, and if the All-Ukrainian referendum offers to recognize a law (its separate provisions) as such that lost effect - the text of such law (its specific provisions).

3. After the time for e-voting ends, the e-voting precinct commission shall use data from the automated information and analytical system to determine the following information:

- 1) the total number of voters included in the e-voting voter list;
- 2) the total number of voters who took part in e-voting;
- 3) the number of votes cast for the All-Ukrainian referendum issue;
- 4) the number of votes cast against the All-Ukrainian referendum issue.

4. After the information stipulated by Part Three of this Article is determined, it shall be announced during the session of the e-voting precinct commission and recorded in words and numbers in the precinct e-voting commission protocol on the results of e-voting at the All-Ukrainian referendum.

5. The protocol specified in Part Four of this Article shall be executed in two copies. The protocol shall be signed by the Chair, Deputy Chair, Secretary, and other members of the precinct e-voting commission present at the session, and stamped with the commission seal. The protocol shall specify date and time (hour and minutes) when it was signed.

If the member of precinct e-voting commission does not agree with e-voting results recorded in the protocol on e-voting results, such member shall sign the protocol and add the note "With a dissenting opinion". A written statement of such dissenting opinion shall be attached

to the protocol on voting results. The first protocol copy can be signed by the representative of the initiative group within the Central Election Commission, authorized persons in the nation-wide district of the All-Ukrainian referendum who were present when e-voting results were determined.

If any of commission members fail or refuse to sign the protocol, it shall have no legal consequences for the protocol validity.

6. If the precinct e-voting commission identifies mistakes (arithmetic inaccuracies) in its protocol on e-voting results after its signing but before the All-Ukrainian referendum results are determined, then such commission shall consider during the same session the issue of making changes to the determined voting results by executing a new protocol on e-voting results and eliminating inaccuracies. Such protocol shall be marked with the note "Adjusted". The protocol with the note "Adjusted" shall be executed in the number of copies specified in Part Five of this Article and shall be signed in the manner established by Part Five of this Article. The fact of execution of the protocol with the note "Adjusted" shall be specified in the minutes of the precinct e-voting commission session.

7. Upon request, the representative of the initiative group within the Central Election Commission shall be immediately provided with the copy of the precinct e-voting commission protocol (including with the note "Adjusted") on e-voting results. The precinct e-voting commission Chair and Secretary shall certify each page of such copies and seal them.

Article 116. Determining Results of the All-Ukrainian Referendum

1. During its session, the Central Election Commission shall use district commission protocols on voting results within respective territorial districts of the All-Ukrainian referendum, including protocols with the note "Adjusted", the protocol of the Central Election Commission on voting results at the foreign district of the All-Ukrainian referendum, data on e-voting results approved by the Central Election Commission to determine the results of the All-Ukrainian referendum no later than on the tenth day following the voting day, which fact shall be executed in the form of protocol.

The following information shall be entered in words and letters in the protocol on the All-Ukrainian referendum results:

- 1) the number of voting ballots commissioned by the Central Election Commission;
- 2) the number of unused voting ballots invalidated by the Central Election Commission;
- 3) the number of voting ballots received by district commissions on the All-Ukrainian referendum;
- 4) the number of voting ballots received by precinct commissions on the All-Ukrainian referendum;
- 5) the total number of unused voting ballots;
- 6) the number of voters included in voter lists;
- 7) the number of voters who received voting ballots in the voting premises;
- 8) the number of voters who received voting ballots for mobile voting;
- 9) the total number of voters who received voting ballots;
- 10) the number of voters who cast votes in the voting premises;
- 11) the number of voters who cast votes during mobile voting;
- 12) the number of voting ballots found invalid;
- 13) the number of voters who took part in e-voting;

- 14) the total number of voters who took part in the voting;
- 15) the number of voting ballots that are not subject to be taken into account;
- 16) the number of votes cast for the All-Ukrainian referendum issue;
- 17) the number of votes cast against the All-Ukrainian referendum issue.

2. If the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum fails to submit its protocol on voting results (including the adjusted one) to the Central Election Commission, the latter shall determine results of the All-Ukrainian referendum in that district based on existing protocols from precinct commissions on the All-Ukrainian referendum.

3. Information on voting results shall be entered in words and numbers into the protocol of the Central Election Commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum results. Information specified in Part One of this Article shall be entered in numbers for each territorial (including foreign) district of the All-Ukrainian referendum, and the total number for the nation-wide district of the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be entered in words and numbers.

4. The Central Election Commission protocol on the All-Ukrainian referendum results shall be executed in two copies. The protocol shall specify date and time (hour and minutes) when it was signed by members of the Central Election Commission. The said protocol shall be stamped with the seal of the Central Election Commission. If the commission member does not agree with the information specified in the protocol, such member shall be entitled to present his or her dissenting opinion that is to be attached to the protocol.

If any of commission members fail or refuse to sign the protocol, it shall have no legal consequences for the protocol validity.

The first protocol copy can be signed by the representative of the initiative group within the Central Election Commission (if the All-Ukrainian referendum is held at the popular initiative), authorized persons in the nation-wide district of the All-Ukrainian referendum who were present at the time of determining the All-Ukrainian referendum results.

5. The All-Ukrainian referendum shall be deemed as such that took place if it was participated by at least 50 per cent of voters from the total number of voters included in the State Voter List.

6. The law introducing amendments to Sections I, III, XIII of the Constitution of Ukraine or the law on ratification of the international treaty that stipulates changes to the territory Ukraine that is put to the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be deemed approved, and the draft law on the loss of effect by the law or certain provisions thereof adopted if more than half of participating voters cast their votes for it.

7. If the requirements of Part Five of this Article are not met, the Central Election Commission shall decide on finding the law introducing changes to Sections I, III, XIII of the Constitution of Ukraine or the law on ratification of the international treaty that stipulates changes to the territory Ukraine as not approved, and the draft law on the loss of effect by the law or certain provisions thereof as not adopted.

Article 117. Official Announcement of the All-Ukrainian Referendum Results

1. 115. If actions of the Central Election Commission with regard to the execution of the protocol on the All-Ukrainian referendum results are not appealed in court in the manner established by the Code of Administrative Proceedings of Ukraine, the Central Election Commission shall officially announce at its session results of the All-Ukrainian referendum and its decision made under Article 115 of this Law no later than on the fifth day following the day when the All-Ukrainian referendum results were determined.

Article 118. Official Publishing of the Law Adopted (Approved) at the All-Ukrainian Referendum

1. Within five days following the announcement of the All-Ukrainian referendum results, the Central Commission shall publish the law approved (adopted) at the All-Ukrainian

referendum in the *Holos Ukrayiny* newspaper.

2. The law approved at the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be dated by the day of the All-Ukrainian referendum specifying its approval during the same.

SECTION XI

LEGAL CONSEQUENCES OF THE ALL-UKRAINIAN REFERENDUM

Article 119. Legal Consequences of the All-Ukrainian Referendum

1. The Law of Ukraine on amendments to Chapters I, III, XIII of the Constitution of Ukraine and the law of Ukraine that ratifies an international treaty on changes to the territory of Ukraine approved at the All-Ukrainian referendum shall take effect ten days after their official promulgation, unless otherwise provided for by the laws, but not earlier than on the day of their official publication.

Article 120. Legal Consequences of the All-Ukrainian Referendum at the Popular Initiative

1. The law of Ukraine on repealing a law of Ukraine or certain provisions thereof, adopted at the all-Ukrainian referendum at the popular initiative, shall take effect ten days after the day of its official promulgation, unless otherwise provided for by the law, but not earlier than on the day of its official publication.

2. The question in the All-Ukrainian referendum on repealing a law of Ukraine or certain provisions thereof, which was not supported by voters at the All-Ukrainian referendum at the popular initiative, may be put to the All-Ukrainian referendum at the popular initiative again no earlier than in a year following the day the results of the All-Ukrainian referendum at the popular initiative are officially announced.

3. The matter of nationwide significance, supported by the voters based on the results of the All-Ukrainian referendum at the popular initiative as provided for by Paragraph 6 of Article 116 of this Law, shall be binding (compulsory) upon respective public authorities and their officials.

SECTION XII

APPEALING VIOLATIONS OF THE LEGISLATION ON THE ALL-UKRAINIAN REFERENDUM

Article 121. General Principles of Appeal During the All-Ukrainian Referendum Process

1. Decisions, acts, or omissions related to the All-Ukrainian referendum issue may be appealed to the respective commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum or court.

2. Decisions, acts, or omissions related to the All-Ukrainian referendum process shall be appealed in court and considered and resolved by the court in the manner determined by the Code of Administrative Proceedings of Ukraine.

3. Decisions, acts, or omissions related to the All-Ukrainian referendum process shall be appealed to the respective commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum and considered and resolved by it in the manner determined by this Law.

4. The court to which the claim was filed shall immediately notify the respective commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum and the higher-level commission (for voter lists - also the body maintaining the State Voter List) on the submission of such a claim, initiation of proceedings or its dismissal, as well as the decision passed by the court.

5. If the court initiates the proceedings on an administrative claim, and then the same entity files a complaint concerning the same issue to the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum, the latter shall terminate consideration of such complaint after receiving the notice of active proceedings from the court.
6. Courts, commissions on the All-Ukrainian referendum, bodies of the State Voter List, law enforcement agencies shall arrange their operation during the All-Ukrainian referendum process, including on weekends and on the voting day, so as to ensure the acceptance and consideration of complaints (claims) and petitions from commissions on the All-Ukrainian referendum within terms and under the procedure established by this Law.
7. Issues of complaint consideration by commissions on the All-Ukrainian referendum that are not regulated by this Law shall be determined by the Central Election Commission.

Article 122. Appeal in Court

1. Decisions, acts, or omissions of the parties to the All-Ukrainian referendum may be appealed in court in the manner established by the Code of Administrative Proceedings of Ukraine.
2. The following shall be appealed in court by filing a claim:
 - 1) decisions, acts, or omissions of the Central Election Commission, member of the Central Election Commission, regional and territorial representative office of the Central Election Commission;
 - 2) decisions, acts, or omissions of commissions on the All-Ukrainian referendum set up under this Law;
 - 3) decisions or acts of the initiative group, member of the initiative group;
 - 4) decisions or acts of the political party, public organization registered as the supporter or opponent of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue;
 - 5) acts or omissions of authorized persons from the parties to the All-Ukrainian referendum process;
 - 6) acts or omissions of the official observer determined by paragraph 7 Part One Article 24 of this Law;
 - 7) decisions, acts, or omissions of the public authorities, authorities of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea, local self-government authorities, enterprises, institutions, and organizations, their officials and officers;
 - 8) decisions, acts, or omissions of mass media, news agencies, their owners, officials and officers, creative professionals.
3. The court that receives a claim shall immediately notify the respective commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum, the higher-level commission, Central Election Commission, and for issues related to voter lists - the body maintaining the State Voter List - of the receipt of such an application, initiation of proceedings in the case or dismissal of the claim, as well as the decision passed by the court.
4. If the court initiates proceedings on an administrative claim concerning the same issue and based on the same grounds as the complaint filed to the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum, the latter shall dismiss such complaint without consideration specifying the reason for the same no later than the next day after receiving the court notice on active proceedings.
5. Should the court revert the decision of the respective commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum, including on the matter of finding voting at a certain polling station invalid, determining voting results and results of the All-Ukrainian referendum, the decision on this issue shall be made by the commission whose decision was reverted or the higher-level commission based on the court judgment. Herewith, if the decision was not reverted for formal reasons, the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum cannot pass the decision

that essentially repeats the reverted one.

Article 123. Appeal Subject and Appeler. The Entity Adjudicating Complaints

1. The following entities may refer to the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum with a complaint related to the All-Ukrainian referendum process:

- 1) voters whose rights or legally protected interests concerning the participation in the All-Ukrainian referendum process were violated by the decision, act, or omission of the appeal subject;
- 2) the initiative group;
- 3) a political party registered as the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process;
- 4) a public organization registered as the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum process;
- 5) an official observer outlined in paragraph 7 Part One Article 24 of this Law.

2. The voter may appeal decisions, acts, or omissions specified in this Article to the respective commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum if such decisions, acts, or omissions violate his or her personal rights or legally protected interests concerning their participation in the All-Ukrainian referendum process, including concerning the participation in the commission operation, observation, presence during the commission session in cases specified in this Law, during voting under this Law, failure to ensure conditions for the access of disabled voters to the All-Ukrainian referendum process as stipulated by the legislation.

3. The complaint of actions or omissions on the part of the member of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum during voting may be filed to the respective precinct commission.

4. The complaint concerning decisions, acts, or omissions on the part of the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum, its members may be filed to the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum that set up the respective precinct commission.

5. The complaint concerning decisions, acts, or omissions on the part of the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum, its members may be filed to the Central Election Commission.

The complaint concerning decisions, acts, or omissions on the part of the precinct e-voting commission, its members may be filed to the Central Election Commission.

Article 124. Peculiarities of Representing Parties to the All-Ukrainian Referendum Process during the Appeal

1. A leader of the political party registered as the supporter or opponent of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue shall act as a representative of the respective party when appealing against violations of the legislation on the All-Ukrainian referendum to the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum without requiring additional authorization for it.

2. The individual who is registered as the authorized person of the initiative group, political party registered as the supporter or opponent of the All-Ukrainian referendum issue under this Law, shall act as the representative of the respective party when appealing against violations of the legislation on the All-Ukrainian referendum to the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum without requiring additional authorization for it.

3. The document confirming the authorities of persons specified in Part Two of this Article is a relevant identity card issued by the Central Election Commission in the manner established by this Law.

Article 125. Period for Appeal

1. A complaint to the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum may be submitted by the appeler within three days after the decision, act, or omission of the appeal subject, except for cases specified in Parts Two and Three of this Article.

2. The complaint concerning the violation that occurred before the voting day may be filed within the term established by Part One of this Article but no later than at 22:00 of the day preceding the voting day.
3. The complaint concerning the violation that occurred on the voting day before the voting ended may be filed to the respective precinct commission no later than by the time the voting ends. The complaint concerning decisions, acts, or omissions on the part of the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum, member(s) of the precinct commission that occurred on the voting day, as well as during vote count at the polling station of the All-Ukrainian referendum and/or during document transportation, may be filed to the district commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum no later than on the day following the day of such decision, act, or omission, but before the respective commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum accepts documents from the precinct commission under this Law.
4. The last day of the term when the respective act provided for by the Law had to be taken shall be deemed the day of omission.
5. The calculation of the period for appeal shall start on the day following the day of the contested decision, act, or omission.
6. The day when the entity adjudicating complaints receives such complaint shall be deemed the date of complaint submission.
7. The period for appeal cannot be extended or renewed, except in case of repeated complaint upon the elimination of its shortcomings no later than the day following the day of its dismissal without consideration by the entity adjudicating complaints as provided for by Part One Article 126 of this Law.
8. The change or clarification of appellant's demands during complaint consideration by the entity adjudicating complaints caused by circumstances not previously known to the appellant shall not be deemed a new complaint and shall not be restricted by the established time limits.

Article 126. Complaint Form and Content

1. The complaint to the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be submitted in writing. The complaint shall specify:
 - 1) name of the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum that the complaint is submitted to;
 - 2) last name, first name, and patronymic (name) of the appellant, place of residence or official contact address (legal or postal address), as well as the communication means number, email, if any;
 - 3) last name, first name, patronymic (name) of the appeal subject, place of residence or official contact address (legal or postal address), as well as the communication means number, email, if known to the appellant;
 - 4) the topic of the issue in question;
 - 5) the description of circumstances and evidence used by the appellant to justify claims;
 - 6) clearly formulated requirements describing the decision that is demanded from the entity adjudicating complaints;
 - 7) a list of attached documents and materials;
 - 8) the signature of the appellant or the person representing the appellant under Article 123 of this Law specifying the date of signing.
2. When appealing against the decision, act, or omission of the appeal subject, the voter must specify how such decision, act, or omission violate his or her personal rights with regards to participation in the All-Ukrainian referendum process.

3. The complaint may contain a list of stakeholders that the appellant deems appropriate to involve in complaint consideration.
4. The complaint shall contain its copies and copies of all documents attached thereto in the number equal to the number of appeal subjects and stakeholders specified in the complaint.

Article 127. Complaint Dismissal without Consideration

1. The complaint executed in violation of Article 125 of this Law shall be dismissed without consideration no later than on the day following the day of its receipt, and the complaint submitted the day before voting, on the voting day or the following day shall be dismissed immediately.
2. The complaint may be dismissed without consideration based on grounds specified in Part One of this Article by:
 - 1) for complaints submitted to the Central Election Commission - the Chair, Deputy Chair of the Central Election Commission or another member thereof upon the Chair's instruction;
 - 2) for complaints submitted to another commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum - the Chair or Deputy Chair of the respective commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum.
3. The complaint shall be dismissed by the letter signed by the individual specified in Part Two of this Article specifying an exhaustive list of shortcomings preventing complaint consideration and the possibility of repeated appeal executed under Article 125 of this Law within terms stipulated by this Law.
4. If the complaint is re-submitted with the same or new shortcomings, the entity adjudicating complaints shall pass a decision on its dismissal without consideration on the merits.

Article 128. Time Limits for Complaint Consideration

1. A complaint executed in compliance with Article 125 of this Law shall be considered by the respective commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum during its session no later than on the third day following its receipt, save for cases stipulated by Parts Two to Four of this Article.
2. The complaint concerning violations that occurred before the voting day shall be considered by the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum within the term provided for by Part One of this Article, but no later than by 24:00 of the day preceding the voting day.
3. The complaint concerning the violation that occurred on the voting day before the voting ended and was submitted to the precinct commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be considered by the said commission immediately after the voting ends.
4. The complaint concerning the violation that occurred on the voting day, during vote count at the polling station and/or during transportation of the All-Ukrainian referendum documents which was submitted to the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be considered by the said commission within two days following its submission but no later than the time of acceptance of the protocol on vote count at the respective polling station.

Article 129. Complaint Consideration Procedure

1. The appellant, the appeal subject, and other stakeholders must be timely invited to attend complaint consideration by the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum.
2. The commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall notify the appellant, the complaint subject, and other stakeholders of the venue, day and time of commission session where the complaint will be considered and send the invitation to participate in such session using registered mail, fax, or email. It is possible to notify the appellant, the appeal subject, and other stakeholders of the venue, day, and time of complaint consideration via telephone which fact shall be recorded by the official of the entity adjudicating complaints by executing

a written certificate to be later attached to the file (protocol).

3. Failure to arrive at the session of the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum of individuals who were duly notified of the same shall not prevent such complaint consideration.

4. Copies of the complaint and documents attached thereto shall be issued to the appeal subject and other stakeholders in advance, and if this is impossible - no later than at the beginning of complaint consideration. The appeal subject is entitled to submit written explanations on the merits of the complaint which the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall take into account.

5. If during complaint consideration, the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum deems appropriate to have the law enforcement agencies verify circumstances specified in the complaint, upon the request from the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum, respective authorities shall take relevant measures needed to stop violations of the legislation within three days following the request of the commission, and if such request was received less than three days before the voting day, on the voting day or the following day the above steps shall be taken immediately. Relevant authorities addressed by the commission shall notify it of verification results and measures taken.

6. The commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum makes a decision on complaint dismissal without consideration on the merits if such complaint was submitted by the undue appellant in violation of time limits for appeal established by Article 127 of this Law or if the appeal object is outside the scope of statutory authorities of the respective commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum.

7. Other issues related to the procedure for complaint consideration by commissions on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be determined by the Central Election Commission under the requirements of this Law.

Article 130. Evidence

1. Evidence that the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum uses to determine the presence or lack of circumstances justifying demands and objections of the appellant, appeal subject, or stakeholders, as well as other circumstances that are significant for proper complaint consideration, shall include:
 - 1) written documents and materials (including electronic) containing data on circumstances that are significant for proper complaint consideration;
 - 2) written explanations of the parties to the All-Ukrainian referendum, officials and officers of public authorities, authorities of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea, local self-government authorities, enterprises, institutions and organizations, relevant law enforcement authorities obtained upon the request of the entity adjudicating complaints, including members of the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum needed to exercise the authorities of the said commission;
 - 3) physical evidence;
 - 4) expert opinions provided in writing upon the request from the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum - the entity adjudicating complaints, appellant, and appeal subject;
 - 5) audio and video materials.
2. Evidence shall be provided to the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum by the appellant, appeal subject, or stakeholders. The commission - entity adjudicating complaints - may request additional evidence at its own initiative or at the request from the appellant, appeal subject, or stakeholders.
3. If the appellant, appeal subject, or stakeholder does not provide evidence in support of circumstances referred to in the complaint, the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum

shall resolve the case based on existing evidence.

4. The commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall take into account only those evidence that are relevant to complaint consideration. The commission - entity adjudicating complaints - shall specify in its decision the fact of dismissal of evidence that are irrelevant for complaint consideration and have no evidentiary force.
5. If there are circumstances (facts) for which the law provides established evidence sources, they cannot be proven using any other sources.
6. Written evidence shall be submitted in the original or in the form of a duly certified copy. If a copy of the written evidence was submitted, the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall be entitled to request the submission of the original or obtain such original of the written evidence itself. After complaint consideration, the commission shall return the original document at the owner's request, and its certified copy shall stay in complaint files.
7. The commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall assess the adequacy, reliability of each evidence, as well as the sufficiency and correlation of evidence in aggregate as required by the Law. No evidence shall have the pre-determined force, save for circumstances, facts established by the court judgment that took effect.

Article 131. Decision of the Commission on the All-Ukrainian Referendum Based on Complaint Consideration on the Merits

1. The decision of the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum - entity adjudicating complaints - must be legal and justified.
2. Before considering the complaint on the merits, the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall study it to determine whether:
 - 1) the complaint was submitted by the qualified appellant determined by this Law;
 - 2) this Law refers consideration of this complaint to the authorities of the commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum (qualified entity adjudicating complaints);
 - 3) the appellant submitted the complaint within time limits established by this Law.
3. The commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall make a decision to dismiss the complaint without consideration on the merits if such complaint was filed by the appellant improperly or if it was filed to the undue entity adjudicating complaints or in violation of time limits for appeal determined by this Law.
4. When considering the complaint on the merits concerning the appeal subject, the entity adjudicating complaints shall decide on the following:
 - 1) whether the appeal subject made the contested decision;
 - 2) whether the contested decision was made by the appeal subject based on legal grounds;
 - 3) whether the contested decision was made within the authority and under the statutory procedure;
 - 4) whether the requirements outlined in the complaint can be confirmed by the provided evidence;
 - 5) what legal norms must be applied to these legal relations;
 - 6) whether each of the appellant's requirements is to be satisfied or dismissed;
 - 7) whether appellant's infringed rights or legal interests are to be restored otherwise;
 - 8) what decisions shall be enforced or what steps shall be taken as a result of decision cancellation.
5. When considering the complaint on the merits concerning acts (omissions) on the part of

the appeal subject, the entity adjudicating complaints shall decide on the following:

- 1) whether the contested act (omission) on the part of the appeal subject occurred;
 - 2) whether the contested act (omission) was taken by the appeal subject based on legal grounds;
 - 3) what legal norms are to be applied to these legal relations and whether the law refers the consideration of this complaint to the authorities of the entity considering the complaint;
 - 4) whether each of the appellant's requirements is to be satisfied or dismissed;
 - 5) whether appellant's infringed rights or legal interests are to be restored otherwise;
 - 6) what decisions are to be enforced and what actions must be taken as a result of the fact of finding contested acts or omissions illegal.
6. When considering the complaint on the merits, the entity adjudicating complaints may satisfy such complaint in full or in part or dismiss it altogether.
7. If the complaint is satisfied, the entity adjudicating complaints may pass a decision to:
- 1) find the appeal subject's decision or its separate provisions, acts, or omission as such that do not meet the requirements of the legislation on the All-Ukrainian referendum (are illegal), violate citizen rights to participation in the All-Ukrainian referendum process, rights and legal interests of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum;
 - 2) revert the contested decision;
 - 3) oblige the appeal subject to take actions stipulated by the legislation governing the organization and procedure of the All-Ukrainian referendum;
 - 4) oblige the appeal subject to abstain from taking illegal steps;
 - 5) restore infringed citizen rights, rights and legal interests of the party to the All-Ukrainian referendum in another way;
 - 6) oblige the appeal subject and/or another authority, other party to the All-Ukrainian referendum to take steps stipulated by the legislation regulating the organization and the procedure of the All-Ukrainian referendum, acts resulting from the fact of decision cancellation, finding contested acts or omissions illegal.
8. Having determined that decisions, acts, or omissions do not meet the legislation on the All-Ukrainian referendum, the entity adjudicating complaints shall satisfy the complaint. If the entity adjudicating complaints decides to satisfy the complaint, it may do so for all or a part of appellant's requirements.
9. Based on complaint consideration results, court judgment, or on its own initiative, the higher-level commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum may revert the decision of the lower-level commission and pass a new decision on the merits.
10. The commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum shall dismiss the complaint if it determines that decisions, acts, or omissions on the part of the appeal subject were taken under the law and within its authorities stipulated by law and do not infringe voter rights, rights and legal interests of other parties to the All-Ukrainian referendum process.
11. The copy of the decision of the entity adjudicating complaints shall be issued or sent to the appellant, appeal subject, stakeholder, respective commission on the All-Ukrainian referendum, other entity referred to in the decision no later than on the day following the day of decision, and should the decision be made the day before the voting day, on the voting day, or the following day, such copy shall be sent immediately.

SECTION XIII FINAL PROVISIONS

This Law shall take effect on the day following the day of its publication, except for:

1) norms related to the arrangements and holding of e-voting that shall take effect on the day when the automated information and analytical system for e-voting starts operating, whereof the Central Election Commission shall be adopt a decision and then publish it in the *Holos Ukrainy* newspaper and the official website of the Central Election Commission.

2) paragraph 4 of part one of Article 3 of this Law, as well as other provisions of this Law relating to the preparation, arrangement and holding of the all-Ukrainian referendum, the subject of which is the repeal of a law of Ukraine or some of its provisions, which shall take effect on the effective date of the law on legislative initiative, but no later than January 1, 2022.

1. Amendments shall be made to the following legislative acts of Ukraine:

in the Code of Administrative Proceedings of Ukraine (The Bulletin of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, 2017, No. 48, p. 436):

a) part two of Article 19 shall be supplemented with paragraph 5 as follows:

“5) concerning the question in the All-Ukrainian referendum”;

б) In Article 273:

the title after the words “members of these commissions” shall be supplemented with the words “regional and territorial representations of the Central Election Commission”;

the part one shall be reworded as follows:

“1. Decisions, acts, or omissions of election commissions, commissions on the All-Ukrainian referendum, members of these commissions, regional and territorial representations of the Central Election Commission are allowed to be appealed by the parties to the respective election process (except for election commission), parties to the All-Ukrainian referendum (except for commissions on the All-Ukrainian referendum), participants in the procedures for initiating the All-Ukrainian referendum at the popular initiative (initiative team, political parties and public organizations as participants in the campaign for the initiative to hold an All-Ukrainian referendum”;

в) in Article 276:

the title of the Article and the part one shall be reworded as follows:

“Article 276. Peculiarities of proceedings in cases concerning the appeal of decisions, acts, or omissions on the part of candidates, their proxies, political party (wing), local political party organization, their officials and authorized persons, official observers from the parties to the election process, referendum initiative team, member of the initiative team, political party, public organization – parties to the referendum process, their authorized persons, official observer - party to the referendum process

1. Decisions, acts, or omissions on the part of candidates, their proxies, political party (wing), local political party organization, their officials and authorized persons, official observers from parties to the election process, referendum initiative team, member of the initiative team, political party, public organization - parties to the referendum process, their authorized persons, official observer - party to the referendum process, that violate the legislation on elections or referendum, are allowed to be appealed by a candidate, political party (wing), local political party organization that are parties to the respective election process, referendum initiative team, political party, public organization - parties to the referendum process”;

in Part Three, words “other entities initiating the All-Ukrainian referendum” shall be replaced with the phrase “member of the initiative team of the All-Ukrainian referendum”;

1) paragraph 4 of part eleven of Article 14 of the Law of Ukraine “On Political Parties in Ukraine” (The Bulletin of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, 2001, No. 23, p. 118, as

amended) after the words “election funds” shall be supplemented with the words “campaign fund for the initiative to hold the All-Ukrainian referendum, All-Ukrainian referendum fund”;

- 2) paragraph 5 of Article 20 of the Law of Ukraine “On the Central Election Commission” (The Bulletin of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, 2004, No. 36, p. 448, as amended) shall be reworded as follows:

“5) form commissions of the all-Ukrainian referendum”;

- 3) paragraph 8-1 of part one of Article 11 of the Law of Ukraine “On Prevention of Corruption” (The Bulletin of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, 2014, No. 49, p. 2056 as amended) after the words “in national and local elections” shall be supplemented with the words “reports on receipt and use of funds of the campaign fund for the initiative to hold the All-Ukrainian referendum, reports on receipt and use of funds of the All-Ukrainian referendum fund”;

- 4) part three of Article 75 of the Law of Ukraine “On the Constitutional Court of Ukraine” (The Bulletin of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, 2017, No. 35, p 376) shall be reworded as follows:

“3. The term of constitutional proceedings may not exceed thirty calendar days for cases:

- 1) on the issue of an opinion on the compliance of a draft law on amendments to the Constitution of Ukraine with the requirements of Articles 157 and 158 of the Constitution of Ukraine;

- 2) at the request of the President of Ukraine regarding the constitutionality of acts of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine as provided for by paragraph 15 of part one of Article 106 of the Constitution of Ukraine;

- 3) in respect of which the Senate and the Grand Chamber have declared the constitutional proceedings as urgent;

- 4) at the request of the President of Ukraine or at least forty-five people's deputies of Ukraine regarding the compliance of the question in the all-Ukrainian referendum at the popular initiative with the Constitution of Ukraine (constitutionality).”

2. To the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine:

within two months from the publication of this Law, to prepare and submit to the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine proposals concerning bringing Ukrainian law in line with this Law;

within three months from the publication of this Law:

ensure the adoption of regulatory legal acts stipulated by this Law;

bring its regulatory legal acts in line with this Law;

ensure reconsideration and reversion by ministries and other central executive authorities of their regulatory legislative acts that are contrary to this Law;

when preparing draft laws on the State Budget of Ukraine for 2021 and subsequent years, allocate funds on the creation and functioning of the automated information and analytical system.

For the Central Election Commission to fulfil within three months from the publication of this Law:

ensure the adoption of acts stipulated by this Law;

bring its regulatory legal acts in line with this Law;

3. For the National Bank of Ukraine to fulfil within three months from the publication of this Law: bring its regulatory legal acts in line with this Law.