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## **Attracting Citizens to Public Protection**

Regulatory of legal regulation of citizens' participation in the protection of public order and the state border of Ukraine is considered. Practical experience of activities shows that without the support of civil society, the tasks and functions assigned to the police to implement in full is extremely difficult. Involvement of the population to ensure public safety and order and prevent crime is one of the priority ways of combating crime, reducing the scale of its spread, and improving the criminal situation.

The notion of «interaction» can be understood as the coordinated activity of various actors for the implementation of joint actions to fulfill tasks to achieve the common goals of law enforcement.

It is devoted to the issue of cooperation and interaction of the police with the population, territorial communities and public associations, which is implemented on the principles of partnership and aimed at meeting their needs.

The activity of public groups on the protection of public order and the state border is analyzed on the basis of the current administrative legislation. Specific features of involving citizens in the protection of public order and the state border in the composition of state bodies and public associations are established.

The procedure for attracting the public to ensure public safety, order and prevention of offenses has been established, and a clear set of conditions for the performance of such work and the powers of both members of public groups and executive authorities and the National Police have been established.

The main tasks, forms and methods of work of public organizations in the field of public safety and order protection are highlighted. It is indicated that the heads of the territorial bodies of the National Police must be instructed when involving members of the public formations in the immediate performance of their duties to ensure public safety and order and prevent offenses.

The general principles of state administration, which guide

policemen when interacting with social groups, are given.

The forms of participation of members of public organizations in the following areas are systematized: 1) information-analytical, organizational and personnel work; 2) maintenance of public safety and order, prevention of offenses; 3) individual preventive work, which consists in identifying offenders, causes and conditions that contribute to the commission of offenses, taking immediate measures of preventive action against offenders and monitoring their behavior; 4) agitation and propaganda work, to which members of public groups are involved.

The system of incentives is defined by regulatory and legal acts, involving the public in participating in ensuring public safety and

order, and preventing crime.

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