

information; the right to judicial review under the prohibition of public access to public information.

The article states that the study on access to information in Ukraine and its constitutional and legal regulations directly related to the observance of constitutional rights and freedoms of man and citizen, as well as the maintenance of national security of Ukraine, which, according to the current legislation of Ukraine, includes itself: the protection of vital interests of man and citizen, society and state, which is provided for sustainable development of society, early detection, prevention and neutralization of real and potential threats to national interests in all areas of public policy.

The right for information is a fundamental human right, which consists of a number of legal opportunities, including the right to free familiarization with the information you have created or public authorities and local governments.

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## **THE ORETICAL GROUNDS OF CONSTITUTIONAL LEGAL IDENTITY OF A TERRITORIAL COMMUNITY IN THE SYSTEM OF LOCAL SELF- GOVERNMENT IN UKRAINE**

The article is dedicated to some theoretical grounds of constitutional legal identity of a territorial community in the system of local self-government in Ukraine. The attention is drawn to the fact that currently in Ukraine the concept of the local self-government is being actively formed and the search for the most optimal pattern of local government is going on. One of the most significant tasks of the legal science is the problem of improving the constitutional and legal status of territorial community that is the basis of strengthening the democracy, the main instrument of local self-government organization and functioning.

Recognizing territorial community as a primary object of the local self-government facilitates the processes of political and socio-economical

renovation of the society and the state, acts as an objective and therefore fundamental condition and significant factor of the process of democratic reforms in our country, and pursues the global goal of establishing a democratic, legal and social state. This objectivation has been caused, firstly, by the fact that all Ukrainian citizens are involved in local self-government as they are residents of certain administrative-territorial entities, and, secondly, all the reforms being accomplished in Ukraine (political and economic ones) either directly are performed locally or having access to the local level. It means that, the local self-governments reflecting political, geographical, socio-economical, national and cultural features of different territorial entities contribute to their own identity re-enforce their affiliation to a certain territorial community and are of strategic importance in the process of social integration and political mobilization of the society.

This research gives the possibility to fill the voids in legal science of local democracy evolution in Ukraine and, based upon this, to reach the main objective of establishing impartial and intrinsic picture of Ukrainian society and state development, integral historical, legal and comparative experience of local self-government national systems along with solving their actual problems of engaging wide population strata in decision making process on the local level.

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## **PROBLEMS OF DETERMINING CONSTITUTIONAL AND LEGAL STATUS OF THE OFFICE HOLDERS IN LOCAL PUBLIC AUTHORITIES IN UKRAINE**

In the article the author considers main conceptual approaches to the subject of constitutional and legal status of the office holders in local public authorities in Ukraine. It is noted that this status is the key feature enabling fundamental study of the nature and purpose of such authorities and office holders, as well as examination of their functions in the context of constitutional reforms in Ukraine.