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KEY TRENDS OF POLICY ASSIGNING OF CRIMINAL PENALTIES IN UKRAINE

The work is devoted to the analysis of the practice of determine criminal punishment of various types to convicts, as well as their release from punishment for the period 2004-2018. In particular, the structure of persons sentenced to criminal punishment by the type of basic punishment assigned to them was examined. The dynamics of the number of persons sentenced to types of criminal punishments appointed by the courts is most often described - imprisonment for a fixed term, fine, arrest, public works, restriction of liberty. The structure of persons sentenced to d imprisonment for a fixed term is disclosed according to the term for which it is appointed, and the changes that occurred in it during the specified period.

The practice of sentencing additional punishments by the courts - confiscation of property; deprivation of military, special rank, rank or qualification class; a fine and deprivation of the right to occupy certain positions or engage in certain activities.

The widespread use by the courts the release of convicts from punishment has been established, the vast majority of which are persons released with probation. Significant fluctuations in the number of persons released from punishment due to amnesty, a small number of those who were released from punishment on other grounds, were noted.

It is determined that the main trend in the practice of assigning criminal punishments is its humanization. It manifests itself in a significant reduction in the number

of persons sentenced to imprisonment for a fixed term, restriction of liberty; almost complete refusal to appoint correctional labor; the increase in the number of people sentenced to milder types of criminal punishment - fines, community service, arrest. Despite a slight decrease in recent years, the number of persons released with probation remains significant. It is concluded that it is currently impossible to accurately assess the impact of such trend on the criminal situation in Ukraine. This is a lengthy process and its consequences for the state of crime in the country can be assessed only after a certain time.

Keywords: criminal punishment, type of criminal punishment, criminal sentencing policy, basic and additional criminal punishments, imprisonment, fine, arrest, community service, release from punishment and serving it, release from punishment with probation.

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