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FRAUDS COMMITTED IN UKRAINE IN 1960–2018

Fraud is a common way of illegally seizing someone else's property. Therefore, there is an urgent need to investigate this type of offense. In addition, the need to analyze the statistics of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine reflecting the dynamics of crimes related to fraud cases in 1960–2018, due to the need to cover and evaluate information on such crimes during this period. This requires a systematic analysis of new aspects of the problem, conducting comprehensive criminal investigations, establishing common features of these actions and their differences, and improving on this basis the law on criminal liability for fraud.

The materials investigate statistics of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine, which reflect the results of the activities of law enforcement agencies in 1960–2018 to detect fraud cases. The concepts and types of fraud provided by the articles of the Criminal Code of Ukraine are considered, their general characteristics are given. The main range of issues is focused on the dynamics of registered crimes, both by region and by Ukraine as a whole. Particular attention is paid to the specific

differences in their level and structure between different historical regions of Ukraine. The study is based on official statistics of the Interior Ministry of Ukraine.

Fraud in today's economic environment is extremely diverse in terms of their forensic characteristics, and as a type of crime against property is gaining ground. Scammers are developing and implementing new forms and types of criminal activity. And this requires adequate preventive response from both the state, its law enforcement agencies and every citizen.

The purpose of this article is to review, analyze and publish statistics that reflect the results of the activities of law enforcement agencies related to fraud detection in the 1960–2018 period. Materials are supplemented by primary statistics.

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