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### **ADMINISTRATIVE AND LEGAL MECHANISM TO ENSURE THE FUNCTIONING OF JUVENILE JUSTICE**

The article emphasizes that the effectiveness of juvenile justice in the system of ensuring the rights of children is practically embodied through the functioning of the state legal mechanism. In the formation of the legal mechanism of the functioning of the juvenile justice system, the study of the administrative and legal component deserves special attention. The general characteristics of the administrative and legal mechanism for ensuring the functioning of juvenile justice are clarified.

Within the administrative and legal mechanism of ensuring the functioning of juvenile justice, regulatory and law enforcement relations have been allocated to the functions performed. The basic functions of the administrative-legal mechanism correlate with the outlined types of administrative-legal relations. It is established that the mechanism of administrative and legal support of the functioning of juvenile justice is a system of means, which is a component of the influence of elements of both the administrative branch of law and others (criminal, criminal-procedural, civil-procedural) on public relations and the guarantees of implementation, protection established by their norms. and protecting the rights and best interests of the child. The value of such a mechanism and its content lies in the emergence, under its influence, of the necessary real conditions for the realization of some other types of competence of state bodies (their officials), in particular in criminal legal, criminal procedural relations. That is, in the field of juvenile justice, due to administrative and

legal forms, not only administrative norms but also certain provisions and guarantees of criminal (civil) justice for children or for the protection of children can be implemented.

According to the results of the study, a unified structure of the administrative and legal mechanism for ensuring the functioning of juvenile justice is presented, its characteristic features are outlined, its place and its connection with other types of this heterogeneous phenomenon are emphasized in the state legal mechanism for ensuring children's rights.

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