

On amendments and additions to certain legislative acts of the Republic of Kazakhstan on issues of science, science-intensive territories, social security, education, healthcare and military service

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Note FROM!

For the entry into force, see Art. 2.

Article 1. Amendments and additions shall be made to the following legislative acts of the Republic of Kazakhstan:

1. In the Civil Code of the Republic of Kazakhstan (special part) dated July 1, 1999:

paragraph 1 of Article 820 shall be supplemented with part three of the following content:

"The requirements of this paragraph shall not apply to pension annuity agreements concluded in accordance with the Social Code of the Republic of Kazakhstan."

2. In the Criminal Executive Code of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated July 5, 2014:

Part ten of Article 143 shall be set out as follows:

"10. Convicts are permitted to study online at educational institutions implementing technical and vocational, post-secondary, and higher education programs, provided that the institution has the appropriate technical conditions."

3. In the Labor Code of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated November 23, 2015:

1) supplement the first part of paragraph 5 of Article 87 with subparagraph 7) of the following content:

"7) creative leave of leading scientists working in higher and (or) postgraduate education organizations, scientific organizations, in accordance with the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan "On Science and Technology Policy";

2) Chapter 12, Section 2 shall be supplemented with Article 146-2 of the following content:

"Article 146-2. Regulation of the work of scientific workers

The work of scientific workers is regulated by this Code with the specifics provided for by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan "On Science and Technological Policy".

4. In the Code of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated July 7, 2020 "On Public Health and the Healthcare System":

1) in paragraph 1 of Article 1:

in subparagraph 94), the words "in the manner determined by the authorized body" shall be replaced by the words "in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan";

subparagraph 200) shall be set out as follows:

"200) manufacturer's price - the price for the trade name of a medicinal product provided by the manufacturer, which is the base price for calculating the maximum wholesale and retail prices of medicinal products included in the list of medicinal products subject to price regulation for wholesale and retail sales, as well as for medicinal products and medical devices within the framework of the guaranteed volume of free medical care and (or) in the system of compulsory social health insurance and medical devices for diagnostics outside a living organism (in vitro), produced in the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan within the framework of long-term supply contracts concluded with a single distributor;"

add subparagraph 220-1) of the following content:

"220-1) reference center - a structural subdivision of state medical organizations, medical organizations, one hundred percent of the voting shares (participatory interests in the authorized capital) of which belong to the state, determined by the authorized body, providing specialized, including high-tech, medical care, carrying out coordination, organizational and methodological work, ensuring the implementation of a system of external assessment of quality and safety in the provision of high-tech medical care, as well as in the conduct of pathological diagnostics;"

2) in Article 7:

subparagraphs 15), 47) and 50) shall be set out as follows:

"15) approves the list of medicines and medical devices for free and (or) preferential outpatient provision of certain categories of citizens of the Republic of Kazakhstan with certain diseases (conditions), as well as the list of medicines and medical devices purchased from a single distributor;"

"47) approves the rules for the formation of drug formularies of healthcare organizations;"

"50) approves the rules for the formation of a list of medicines and medical devices for free and (or) preferential outpatient provision of certain categories of citizens of the Republic of Kazakhstan with certain diseases (conditions) and a list of medicines and medical devices purchased from a single distributor;"

add subparagraph 104-5) of the following content:

"104-5) approves the rules for conducting examination, state registration, re-registration of medicinal products or medical devices, amendments to the registration dossier of a medicinal product or medical device and registration, amendments to the manufacturer's price, as well as the formation of the Kazakhstan National Drug Formulary;"

3) in Article 23:

in paragraph 3, the words “in the manner determined by the authorized body” shall be replaced by the words “in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan”;

paragraph 4 shall be set out as follows:

"4. A mandatory condition for state registration, re-registration of medicinal products or medical devices, and amendments to the registration dossier of a medicinal product or medical device is the conduct of an examination of the medicinal product or medical device in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.";

in paragraph 5, the words “determined by the authorized body” shall be replaced by the words “established in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan”;

in paragraph 8:

Part one shall be set out as follows:

"8. An application for examination, state registration, re-registration of medicinal products or medical devices, amendments to the registration dossier of a medicinal product or medical device and registration, amendments to the manufacturer's price shall be submitted by the applicant or the manufacturer of the medicinal product or medical device, or their authorized representatives as part of the provision of a composite service.";

add the second part with the following content:

"A composite service is understood to mean a set of public services related to the examination, state registration, re-registration of medicinal products or medical devices, amendments to the registration dossier of a medicinal product or medical device and registration, amendments to the manufacturer's price, as well as the formation of the Kazakhstan National Drug Formulary, provided in combination or separately in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.";

in paragraph 10:

in part two, the words “determined by the authorized body” shall be replaced by the words “established in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan”;

supplement with parts three, four and five of the following content:

"An accelerated procedure for conducting an examination of a medicinal product is carried out in the following cases:

joint drug registration procedure with the World Health Organization;

procedures for prequalification of a medicinal product by the World Health Organization;

registration of a medicinal product by regulatory authorities with a strict regulatory system defined by the World Health Organization;

in other cases provided for by the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

An accelerated procedure for the examination of medical devices is carried out in relation to medical devices that have certificates from regulatory authorities of the European Commission in the European Union (CE marking) or regulatory authorities that are members of the steering committee of the International Medical Device Regulators Forum (IMDRF), or prequalified by the World Health Organization, as well as in other cases stipulated by the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

When conducting an accelerated examination of medicines and medical devices, the requirements for their safety, quality and effectiveness are not reduced.";

paragraph 11 shall be set out as follows:

"11. The applicant shall be denied state registration and re-registration of medicinal products or medical devices, or amendments to the registration dossier of a medicinal product or medical device in cases where a negative conclusion is issued based on the results of an examination of medicinal products and medical devices and the failure to submit a complete package of documents.";

in paragraph 13, the words "in the manner determined by the authorized body" shall be replaced by the words "in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan";

add paragraph 18 with the following content:

"18. The state body in the field of circulation of medicines and medical devices has the right to initiate the registration of a medicinal product on its own initiative in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.";

4) Article 124 shall be supplemented with paragraph 3-1 of the following content:

"3-1. Ensuring the quality and safety of high-tech medical care is carried out by reference centers by coordinating the activities of a medical organization providing specialized, including high-tech, medical care, providing organizational and methodological work and ensuring the implementation of a system of external assessment of quality and safety.";

5) supplement Article 130-1 with the following content:

"Article 130-1. Reference centers

1. Coordination of the activities of medical organizations providing specialized, including high-tech, medical care, as well as external assessment of the quality and safety of pathological diagnostics are controlled and performed by reference centers.

2. The main objectives of the reference center are to ensure that medical organizations apply uniform standards for the provision of specialized, including high-tech, medical care through monitoring and methodological support, as well as to improve the

accuracy and reliability of pathological diagnosis of diseases and reduce diagnostic errors.

3. The reference center is created on the basis of state medical organizations, medical organizations in which one hundred percent of the voting shares (shares in the authorized capital) belong to the state, and which have the status of a scientific center or research institute.

The procedure for the operation of a reference center, assignment or revocation of the status of a reference center is determined by the authorized body.";

6) in Article 244:

in paragraph 1, the words "organization determined by the authorized body" shall be replaced by the words "state expert organization in the field of circulation of medicines and medical devices";

add paragraph 1-1 with the following content:

"1-1. Pharmaceutical inspections carried out by the state expert organization in the field of circulation of medicines and medical devices are a state monopoly.

Prices for goods (works, services) produced and (or) sold by a state monopoly entity are established by the authorized body in agreement with the antimonopoly authority.";

7) in Article 245:

paragraphs 1 and 2 shall be set out as follows:

"1. State regulation of prices is carried out on:

- 1) medicinal products for wholesale and retail sales included in the list of medicinal products subject to price regulation for wholesale and retail sales;
- 2) medicines and medical devices within the guaranteed volume of free medical care and (or) in the system of compulsory social health insurance;
- 3) medical products for in vitro diagnostics manufactured in the Republic of Kazakhstan under long-term supply agreements concluded with a single distributor.

The list of medicinal products subject to price regulation for wholesale and retail sales is approved by the authorized body.

2. The authorized body approves the manufacturer's prices, maximum prices for the trade name of the medicinal product for wholesale and retail sales, included in the list of medicinal products subject to price regulation for wholesale and retail sales.";

in paragraph 3, the words "in agreement with the antimonopoly authority" shall be excluded;

paragraph 4 shall be excluded;

in paragraph 5, delete the word "maximum";

clause 7 after the word “regulation” add the words “for wholesale and retail sales”;

8) paragraph 3 of Article 251 shall be supplemented with subparagraph 11) of the following content:

"11) production of a medicinal product by importing a bulk product, as well as pharmaceutical substances (active pharmaceutical substances), with the exception of their standard samples.";

9) in Article 263:

in paragraph 1, the word “is being developed” shall be replaced with the word “is being formed”;

Delete paragraph 2.

5. In the Social Code of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated April 20, 2023:

1) in Article 155:

supplement paragraphs 2-1 and 7-1 with the following content:

"2-1. The basis for conducting a medical and social examination is the application of the person being examined or his legal representative.

The basis for conducting a medical and social examination of a person over eighteen years of age who is in a comatose state is an application from a spouse or close relative without his/her consent.

A comatose state is understood as a persistent, severe pathological condition in which a person is unconscious with a disruption of the body's basic functions and a limitation of vital activity.";

"7-1. When an application is submitted by a spouse or close relative for a medical and social examination of a person over eighteen years of age who is in a comatose state, disability is established for a period of no more than one year.

In the event of an improvement in the health of a disabled person over eighteen years of age who is in a comatose state, before the deadline established by the first part of this paragraph, a re-examination shall be carried out in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan on social protection.";

paragraph 10 shall be supplemented with the second part of the following content:

"The requirement of this paragraph shall not apply to the case provided for in part two of paragraph 7-1 of this article.";

2) Article 171 shall be supplemented with paragraph 1-1 of the following content:

"1-1. If a person with a first-group disability is in a comatose state, the benefit to the person providing care is assigned on the basis of an application from the spouse or close relative without his/her consent.";

3) in Article 226:

subparagraph 2) of paragraph 10 shall be supplemented with the words “except in cases of replacement of a beneficiary who is not the insured person, changes in the personal data of the policyholder(s), beneficiary”;

paragraph 12 shall be supplemented with the third part of the following content:

"Under a pension annuity agreement providing for guaranteed insurance payments, in the event of the death of the policyholder (policyholders) and (or) the insured, the person (persons) specified in the pension annuity agreement, and in the absence thereof, the heirs of the policyholder (policyholders) and (or) the insured, have the right to receive the specified insurance payments in the amount stipulated by the pension annuity agreement, in a lump sum or in the manner determined by the first part of this paragraph, if the policyholder (policyholders) and (or) the insured received them in an incomplete amount or did not receive them during their lifetime.";

4) paragraph 2 of Article 227 shall be set out as follows:

"2. The policyholder(s), when raising their own funds to pay the missing portion of the insurance premium when concluding a pension annuity agreement with an insurance organization or making changes and/or additions to existing agreements, is (are) obligated to contribute their own funds in full at one time.";

5) in subparagraph 8) of paragraph 1 of Article 238, the words “or about transferring him to correspondence education” shall be excluded;

6) in subparagraph 7) of paragraph 1 of Article 241, the words “or about transferring him to correspondence education” shall be excluded.

6. In the Budget Code of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated March 15, 2025:

Subparagraph 20) of Article 5 shall be supplemented with the words “highest scientific organization”.

7. In the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated July 27, 2007 "On Education":

1) in subparagraph 45) of part one of Article 5, exclude the word “in absentia”;

2) supplement Article 8-4 with the following content:

"Article 8-4. Features of the acquisition of textbooks and teaching aids

The publishing house, at its own expense, replaces the print run purchased by local executive bodies under a government procurement agreement in the event of the discovery of a printing defect and/or an error(s) made as a result of the publishing house's deviation from the version approved by the subject expert commission.

The requirement of the first part of this article is a mandatory condition for the preparation and execution of public procurement contracts for the acquisition of

textbooks and educational and methodological complexes in accordance with the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan "On Public Procurement";

3) in Article 27, exclude the word “in absentia”;

4) in part three of paragraph 1 of Article 32, the word “in absentia” shall be excluded;

5) in part three of Article 33, exclude the word “in absentia”;

6) Article 43-1 shall be supplemented with paragraph 6 of the following content:

"6. The competencies of an organization of higher and (or) postgraduate education that carries out the training of personnel in the field of civil aviation, provided for in subparagraphs 1), 2), 10) and 15) of paragraph 2 of this article, shall be implemented taking into account the features stipulated by the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan on the use of the airspace of the Republic of Kazakhstan and aviation activities.

At the same time, the training of personnel in the field of civil aviation is provided taking into account the flight and simulator training of students in accordance with the standards and recommended practices of the International Civil Aviation Organization and the aviation regulations of international organizations in the field of civil aviation.";

7) in paragraph 17 of Article 47:

Part four shall be set out as follows:

"Citizens of the Republic of Kazakhstan who have studied in aviation specialties on the basis of a state educational order are required to work for at least five years, and for at least three years in other specialties, in the manner determined by the authorized body in the field of science and higher education.";

in part five, after the word “to work out,” add the words “in educational organizations, scientific organizations, as well as in government agencies and (or) other organizations that correspond to the profile of the educational program”;

8) supplement the second part of paragraph 7 of Article 52 with a second sentence of the following content:

"At the same time, the annual teaching load of the faculty of higher and postgraduate education institutions should not exceed two-thirds of the annual working time.";

9) Article 68 shall be supplemented with paragraphs 2-3 of the following content:

"2-3. Persons who have enrolled in training with the appropriate training periods in educational organizations implementing educational programs of technical and vocational, post-secondary education in the form of correspondence education, complete their training in the educational programs in the form of correspondence education, which were in effect at the time of admission to training, with the issuance of a document on education."

8. In the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated July 15, 2010 "On the use of the airspace of the Republic of Kazakhstan and aviation activities":

1) paragraph 1 of Article 14 shall be supplemented with subparagraphs 2-4) and 2-5) of the following content:

"2-4) participates in the implementation of state policy in the field of scientific and (or) scientific and technical activities, coordinates work on conducting scientific research in the field of use of the airspace of the Republic of Kazakhstan and aviation activities;

2-5) approves the rules for organizing and financing the training of aviation personnel, scientific and (or) scientific-technical activities in the field of use of the airspace of the Republic of Kazakhstan and aviation activities at the expense of deductions from the state provider of air navigation services for the training of civil aviation personnel and the development of scientific and (or) scientific-technical activities in the field of use of the airspace of the Republic of Kazakhstan and aviation activities;"

2) paragraph 3 of Article 16-12 shall be set out as follows:

"3. The state air navigation services provider implements the main objective of its activities by providing air navigation services, as well as making contributions to ensure flight safety, training of civil aviation personnel and the development of scientific and (or) scientific and technical activities in the field of use of the airspace of the Republic of Kazakhstan and aviation activities."

9. In the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan of January 6, 2011 "On Law Enforcement Service":

1) in subparagraph 3) of paragraph 1 of Article 71, the words "(cadets of educational organizations of law enforcement agencies, employees studying by correspondence)" shall be excluded;

2) in paragraph 8 of Article 75, replace the words "in absentia (evening)" with the word "evening".

10. In the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated March 1, 2011 "On State Property":

Article 4 shall be supplemented with paragraph 7-2 of the following content:

"7-2. The provisions of this Law shall apply to higher scientific organizations, unless otherwise provided by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan "On Science and Technological Policy".

11. In the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan of January 13, 2012 "On Energy Saving and Improving Energy Efficiency":

Subparagraph 2-1) of Article 1 shall be supplemented with the words “highest scientific organization”.

12. In the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan of February 16, 2012 "On military service and the status of military personnel":

1) in the second part of paragraph 3 of Article 5, the words “upon call-up of the officer corps” shall be replaced by the words “called up in accordance with Article 32 of this Law”;

2) subparagraph 2) of part three of paragraph 1 of Article 18, after the word “officers,” add the words “and sergeants”;

3) subparagraph 2) of paragraph 1 of Article 24 shall be set out as follows:

"2) for officers and sergeants serving in the military by conscription and called up in accordance with Article 32 of this Law - twenty-four months;"

4) in paragraph 6 of Article 26, the words “officer corps” shall be replaced by the words “and called up in accordance with Article 32 of this Law”;

5) subparagraph 2) of paragraph 2 of Article 27 shall be supplemented with the words “and reserve sergeants”;

6) Article 32 shall be set out as follows:

"Article 32. Conscription of reserve officers and reserve sergeants for military service
Reserve officers and reserve sergeants under the age of twenty-nine and reserve medical service officers under the age of thirty-two, fit for military service and who have not completed military service by conscription (with the exception of military training), are called up in peacetime on the basis of a resolution of the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan to perform military service in officer and sergeant positions at the request of authorized bodies.";

7) in paragraph 7 of Article 37, the words “upon call-up of the officer corps” shall be replaced by the words “called up in accordance with Article 32 of this Law”;

8) in part two of paragraph 1 of Article 50-1, after the words “reserve officers,” add the words “and reserve sergeants”;

9) in subparagraph 1) of paragraph 2 of Article 53-1, the words “upon call-up of the officer corps” shall be replaced by the words “called up in accordance with Article 32 of this Law.”

13. In the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated October 31, 2015 "On Public-Private Partnership":

in Article 56:

paragraph 1 after the words “or industrial zone” add the words “, including a science-intensive territory”;

in the first part of paragraph 2, after the words “or industrial zone,” add the words “, including in a science-intensive territory”;

paragraph 4 shall be supplemented with the words “, including a science-intensive territory.”

14. In the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated November 12, 2015 "On state audit and financial control":

Subparagraph 3) of Article 1 shall be supplemented with the words “highest scientific organization”.

15. In the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated April 3, 2019 "On Special Economic and Industrial Zones":

paragraph 2 of Article 24 shall be supplemented with the following third part:

"The provisions of part two of this paragraph shall not apply to cases of abolition of a special economic zone on the territory of a knowledge-intensive area."

16. In the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated July 1, 2024 "On Science and Technology Policy":

1) in Article 1:

supplement with subparagraphs 26-1) and 27-1) of the following content:

"26-1) foresight (predictive) studies on the development of science and technology – expert-analytical assessment of the medium- and long-term prospects for the development of science and technology";

"27-1) young scientist - an individual aged up to and including forty-four years, with experience in scientific, research and (or) scientific and pedagogical activity of no more than ten years (excluding the period of caring for a child until he or she reaches the age of three years), carrying out scientific, research and (or) scientific and pedagogical activity, receiving and implementing the results of scientific and (or) scientific and technical activity";

subparagraph 32) after the word “archive,” add the words “scientific infrastructure”;

add subparagraph 45-1) of the following content:

"45-1) a scientific laboratory for collective use - a scientific infrastructure acquired within the framework of a state order for the joint use of scientific equipment by subjects of scientific and (or) scientific and technical activities, ensuring equal access to it and subject to registration in the unified digital system "Kazakhstan Science";

2) clause 2 of Article 4 after the word “activities” shall be supplemented with the words “, as well as at the expense of special proceeds from deductions of subsoil users

in accordance with the budget legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan and the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan on subsoil and subsoil use”;

3) Article 5 shall be supplemented with subparagraph 3-1) of the following content:

"3-1) determines the composition of the Board of Trustees of the National Academy of Sciences;"

4) in Article 6:

add subparagraph 19-1) of the following content:

"19-1) develops and approves rules for the acquisition by research institutes and organizations of higher and (or) postgraduate education and other accredited entities of scientific and (or) scientific and technical activities of goods, works, services necessary for the performance of scientific research and scientific work implemented at the expense of budgetary funds, in agreement with the authorized body in the field of public procurement;"

in subparagraph 22), the word “implements” shall be replaced with the words “develops and approves rules for the implementation of programs to promote the commercialization of the results of scientific and (or) scientific and technical activities, and also implements”;

supplement with subparagraphs 29-1) and 37-1) of the following content:

"29-1) develops and approves rules for the use of scientific equipment acquired under government orders and the provision of access to scientific laboratories for collective use and centers of academic excellence;"

"37-1) develops and approves a list of national scientific councils in areas of science and commercialization of the results of scientific and (or) scientific and technical activities;"

subparagraph 41) after the word “Kazakhstani” add the words “and foreign”;

supplement subparagraphs 43-1), 43-2), 43-3) and 43-4) with the following content:

"43-1) develops and approves the rules of venture financing in the field of science and scientific and technical activities;

43-2) develops and approves a methodology for assessing the economic feasibility of the requested volume of funding (cost) of scientific, scientific and technical projects and programs;

43-3) approves the results of monitoring the implementation of scientific, scientific and technical projects and programs reviewed by national scientific councils;

43-4) approves the amount of funding (cost) of scientific, scientific and technical projects and programs in accordance with the decision of the national scientific council;"

5) supplement the first part of Article 8 with subparagraphs 12-1) and 12-2) of the following content:

"12-1) agree on the development strategy of the science city;

12-2) annually develop a report on the implementation of the science city development strategy;"

6) Article 10 shall be supplemented with paragraph 3 of the following content:

"3. To conduct scientific research, members of national and regional teams in republican and international Olympiads and competitions of scientific projects (scientific competitions) in general education subjects, competitions of professional skills, the list of which is approved by the authorized body in the field of education, have the right to use centers of academic excellence, scientific infrastructure, including digitalization facilities located in organizations of higher and (or) postgraduate education, more than fifty percent of the voting shares (interests in the authorized capital) of which belong to the state.";

7) supplement with Article 10-1 of the following content:

"Article 10-1. Rights and responsibilities of scientists and research workers

1. Scientists and research workers are guaranteed academic freedom and the right to freedom of creativity.

2. Scientists and research workers have the right to:

1) carry out scientific research without interference, freely discuss and publish its results, unless this is prohibited by this Law and the laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

2) independently plan and organize their scientific and (or) scientific and technical activities;

3) independently determine the direction and content, methods and means of scientific research and experimental development;

4) carry out scientific and (or) scientific-technical activities with acceptable scientifically substantiated risk;

5) obtain access to scientific and scientific-technical information, with the exception of information that constitutes a secret protected by law;

6) to be protected from persecution that infringes their rights, freedom and legitimate interests for reasons related to the implementation of scientific and (or) scientific and technical activities;

7) receive income from the results of scientific and (or) scientific and technical activities of which they are the author(s);

8) to an objective assessment of their scientific and (or) scientific and technical activities, as well as to other incentive measures provided for by this Law;

9) participate in the training of scientific and scientific-technical personnel, transfer knowledge and experience to them in the process of carrying out scientific and (or) scientific-technical activities;

10) exercise other rights provided for by this Law and other laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

3. Scientists and research workers are obliged to:

1) carry out scientific research in accordance with the requirements of scientific ethics;

2) avoid conflicts of interest and unfair competition;

3) comply with other obligations provided for by this Law and other laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan.";

8) in Article 15:

in paragraph 3:

add subparagraph 3-1) of the following content:

"3-1) prepares and publishes an annual national report on science, taking into account the results of foresight (predictive) studies on the development of science and technology, as well as other analytical and statistical materials;"

subparagraph 4) supplement with the words "and technologies";

supplement part two of paragraph 5 with subparagraph 6) of the following content:

"6) appointment of a commissioner for the rights of scientists and research workers.";

paragraph 28 shall be set out as follows:

"28. The activities of the National Academy of Sciences are financed from budgetary funds, as well as other sources not prohibited by the laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan.";

add paragraphs 29, 30 and 31 to read as follows:

"29. The property of the National Academy of Sciences is formed by:

1) budgetary funds in accordance with the budget legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

2) voluntary property contributions and donations;

3) receipts (income) from the sale of goods, works, services in cases established by the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

4) other receipts not prohibited by the laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

The National Academy of Sciences uses its property exclusively to achieve its statutory goals.

30. The National Academy of Sciences shall be liable for its obligations with all property belonging to it.

31. The National Academy of Sciences has a Commissioner for the Rights of Scientists and Research Workers.

In order to protect the rights and legitimate interests of scientists and research workers, the Commissioner for the Rights of Scientists and Research Workers:

1) considers appeals from scientists and research workers regarding violations of their rights and legitimate interests;

2) carries out consulting activities for scientists and research workers;

3) interacts with government agencies, educational and scientific organizations, as well as other interested parties on issues of protecting the rights and legitimate interests of scientists and research workers;

4) submits proposals to the National Academy of Sciences and the authorized body for improving the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan on science and technology policy on issues of protecting the rights and legitimate interests of scientists and research workers;

5) attracts scientific organizations, public associations, experts and other persons to assist in resolving issues affecting the rights and legitimate interests of scientists and research workers.";

9) subparagraph 8) of paragraph 3 of Article 20 after the words "in accordance with" shall be supplemented with the words "this Law and";

10) in Article 22:

paragraph 1 after the word "science" add the words "and commercialization of the results of scientific and (or) scientific and technical activities";

subparagraph 3) of paragraph 2 after the word "financing" add the word "(cost)";

11) supplement the first part of paragraph 2 of Article 25 with the word "(cost)";

12) paragraph 1 of Article 28 shall be set out as follows:

"1. Remuneration of scientific workers of scientific organizations, organizations of higher and (or) postgraduate education and other accredited entities of scientific and (or) scientific and technical activities that carry out government orders or implement scientific, scientific and technical projects and programs financed from budgetary funds shall be carried out in the manner determined by the authorized body.";

13) in Article 29:

in paragraph 1, the words "state scientific organizations and scientific organizations equivalent to state ones" shall be excluded;

paragraphs 4 and 6 after the word "established" shall be supplemented with the words "by this Law";

14) in paragraph 2 of Article 30, the words “up to and including the age of forty years” shall be excluded;

15) in paragraph three of part two of clause 1 and clause 3 of Article 31, the words “up to and including the age of forty years” shall be excluded;

16) supplement with chapter 5-1 of the following content:

Chapter 5-1. High-tech Territory

Article 33-1. Basic provisions on science-intensive territories

1. A knowledge-intensive territory is a territory in which conditions are created to support priority areas of scientific and technological development, stimulate high-tech production and commercialize the results of scientific and (or) scientific and technical activities.

2. A knowledge-intensive territory may be in the form of a science city or a science and technology park, the status of which is assigned and lost in accordance with this Law.

3. Financing of projects and infrastructure of the science-intensive territory is carried out through extra-budgetary funds and other sources not prohibited by the laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Financing of projects from budgetary funds for scientific and (or) scientific and technical activities is carried out in accordance with this Law and other laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

4. The authorized body shall determine the person who will monitor the implementation of the development strategy of the science city and science and technology park.

The procedure for conducting monitoring is determined by the authorized body.

5. The specifics of the exercise of exclusive rights to the results of scientific and (or) scientific and technical activities created on the territory of science-intensive territories shall be established by this Law and other laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Article 33-2. Measures to stimulate the development of science-intensive territories

1. Measures to stimulate scientific and (or) scientific-technical activity in science-intensive territories include:

tax benefits in accordance with the tax legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

financing of research and development work in accordance with this Law;

state support for innovation entities in accordance with the Entrepreneurial Code of the Republic of Kazakhstan and the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan "On Industrial Policy";

the right to obtain the status of a special economic zone in accordance with the procedure provided for by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan "On Special Economic and Industrial Zones".

2. Foreign citizens and stateless persons, members of their families, arriving in the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan to carry out labor activities in knowledge-intensive areas, shall receive an entry visa to the Republic of Kazakhstan upon application of the managing company of the science city or science and technology park in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

3. The educational activities of higher and/or postgraduate education institutions established within the territory of a science city by decision of the authorized body are subject to licensing in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan on education and on permits and notifications. Licensing is carried out according to specific qualification requirements approved by the authorized body.

Article 33-3. Science City. Main tasks of the science city

1. A science city is a status assigned to a populated area on the territory of which conditions have been created for the implementation of educational, scientific and (or) scientific-technical, innovative and entrepreneurial activities, with the aim of developing priority areas of economic development of the country.

2. The main objectives of the science city are:

- 1) development of fundamental and applied scientific research;
- 2) development and implementation of high-tech and innovation technologies into production for the purpose of sustainable economic development;
- 3) commercialization of the results of scientific and (or) scientific and technical activities;
- 4) ensuring effective technology transfer;
- 5) attracting investments in scientific, scientific-technical and innovative projects;
- 6) development of production and human resources potential;
- 7) promoting the development of scientific and innovative infrastructure.

Article 33-4. Procedure for assigning the status of a science city

1. The status of a science city is assigned to a populated area based on a decision of the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan upon the submission of an authorized body in agreement with the sectoral authorized body, within whose competence the relevant sector of the science city falls, and the local executive body of the relevant administrative-territorial unit.

2. The status of a science city is assigned to a settlement if the following criteria are met:

- 1) the presence on the territory of a populated area of accredited entities engaged in scientific and (or) scientific and technical activities with a share of scientific workers of at least three percent of the employed population of the relevant populated area;
- 2) the presence of scientific, engineering and production infrastructure that ensures the functioning of the science city, as well as the conduct of research, experimental design work and the production of products with scientific content (goods, works, services);
- 3) the presence of organizations engaged in the development and production of domestic products with scientific content (goods, works, services), in priority scientific areas of scientific development, as well as attracting investment.

3. The authorized body, together with the sectoral government body whose competence includes the relevant sector of the science city, develops a development strategy for the science city, containing priority scientific areas of its activities, and coordinates it with the local executive body of the relevant administrative-territorial unit, as well as with interested government bodies.

The Higher Scientific and Technical Commission approves the development strategy for the science city.

4. The local executive body of the relevant administrative-territorial unit takes measures to implement the development strategy of the science city.

5. In order to implement the development strategy of the science city, the development plan of the corresponding administrative-territorial unit reflects the main objectives, target indicators, performance indicators and activities of the development strategy of the science city.

6. The local executive body of the relevant administrative-territorial unit shall annually submit to the authorized body a report on the implementation of the science city development strategy for approval by the Higher Scientific and Technical Commission.

Article 33-5. Participants of the science city

1. Participants of a science city are individuals and/or legal entities included in the register of participants of the science city in the manner determined by the authorized body.

2. The register of science city participants includes science city participants who meet the requirements for science city participants.

Requirements for participants in the science city are established by the authorized body in agreement with the interested government agencies and the local executive body of the relevant administrative-territorial unit in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

The register of participants of the science city is subject to publication on the Internet resource of the local executive body of the relevant administrative-territorial unit.

3. Participants of the science city carry out their activities in order to implement the development strategy of the science city and the documents of the State Planning System of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Article 33-6. Science city governing body

1. The governing body of a science city is its management company.

The management company of a science city is a legal entity determined or created by the local executive body of the relevant administrative-territorial unit in agreement with the authorized body and (or) the sectoral authorized body, within whose competence the relevant sector of the science city falls, ensuring the comprehensive management of the science city.

In order to improve management efficiency and attract investment, the management company may engage domestic and foreign partners in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

2. The structure and competence of the management company are established by its charter in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

3. The functions of the science city management company include:

- 1) selection and financing of projects of science city participants from sources not prohibited by the laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan;
- 2) cooperation with international organizations and foreign partners in order to attract scientific, technological, digital, educational and financial resources to stimulate the development of the science city;
- 3) participation in the creation, management and coordination of interactions between participants of the science city with the aim of promoting scientific, scientific and innovative potential, commercialization of scientific developments and stimulation of interaction between science and industry on the territory of the science city;
- 4) provision of acceleration services and technological business incubation to participants of the science city;
- 5) attracting non-residents and residents of the Republic of Kazakhstan to participate in the development of the science city;
- 6) maintaining a register of participants in the science city;
- 7) attracting venture financing;
- 8) other functions in accordance with this Law and the charter of the management company of the science city.

4. The management company of the science city shall register the participants of the science city and issue documents on the registration of the participants of the science city in the manner and in the form determined by the authorized body.

5. The management company of the science city shall annually submit a report on its activities and information on the participants of the science city to the local executive body of the relevant administrative-territorial unit, the authorized body and the sectoral authorized body within whose competence the relevant sector of the science city falls.

6. In the event of a settlement losing its status as a science city, the management company of the science city shall be liquidated in accordance with the laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Article 33-7. Grounds and procedure for early loss of the status of a science city

1. The grounds for early loss of the status of a science city are:

1) discrepancy between the results of scientific, scientific-technical, innovative and production activities and the objectives of the development strategy of the science city;

2) failure to achieve the results envisaged by the science city development strategy, based on the results of monitoring the implementation of the science city development strategy over a period of five years;

3) failure to comply with the criteria for assigning the status of a science city, as provided for in paragraph 2 of Article 33-4 of this Law;

4) an appeal from the local executive body of the relevant administrative-territorial unit or authorized body to the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan regarding the inadvisability of maintaining the status of a science city.

2. A populated area shall lose its status as a science city ahead of schedule based on a decision of the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan upon the submission of an authorized body, agreed upon with the sectoral authorized body within whose competence the relevant sector of the science city falls, and the local executive body of the relevant administrative-territorial unit.

3. A decision on the early loss of the status of a science city on the grounds specified in subparagraph 3) of paragraph 1 of this article shall be made no earlier than five years after its assignment.

4. From the moment of loss of the status of a science city, participants of the science city are excluded from the register of participants of the science city in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Article 33-8. Social security for scientific workers who are participants in the science city

1. Researchers who are participants in the science city have social guarantees for ensuring rights in the field of healthcare in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan in the field of healthcare.
2. Research workers who are participants in the science city have the right to acquire housing or improve their housing conditions in accordance with the procedure established by the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.
3. Children of scientific workers who are participants in the science city are provided, on a priority basis, by local executive bodies of the relevant administrative-territorial unit with places in preschool institutions.

Article 33-9. Science and Technology Park

1. A scientific and technological park is a status assigned to a territory in an organization of higher and/or postgraduate education, an autonomous educational organization, a scientific organization, as well as in an enterprise that has implemented scientific developments and technologies in production jointly with a scientific organization.

In a science and technology park, conditions are created for the implementation of scientific and (or) scientific-technical and innovative activities, as well as the commercialization of the results of scientific and (or) scientific-technical activities.

2. Criteria for assigning a territory the status of a science and technology park:

1) the presence of implemented results of scientific and (or) scientific and technical activities and (or) implemented scientific developments and technologies in production;

2) the presence of scientific infrastructure and (or) research centers, and (or) test sites, and (or) technology parks.

3. The status of a science and technology park is assigned and lost on the basis of a decision of the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan upon the submission of an authorized body and an industry authorized body, within whose competence the relevant industry of the science and technology park falls.

4. The objectives and types of activities, and the organizational structure of the management of the science and technology park are determined by its charter, agreed upon with the authorized body and the sectoral authorized body, within whose competence the relevant sector of the science and technology park falls.

5. The management of a science and technology park may be carried out by a management company created or designated by higher and/or postgraduate education organizations, autonomous educational organizations, scientific organizations, as well as an enterprise that has implemented scientific developments and technologies into

production jointly with a scientific organization, in accordance with the charter of the management company and this Law.

6. The authorized body, together with the sectoral authorized body whose competence covers the relevant sector of the science and technology park, shall develop a development strategy for the science and technology park, containing the priority scientific areas of its activities.

The Higher Scientific and Technical Commission approves the development strategy for the science and technology park.

7. The grounds for early loss of the status of a science and technology park are:

1) discrepancy between the results of scientific, scientific-technical, innovative and production activities and the objectives of the development strategy of the science and technology park;

2) failure to achieve the results envisaged by the strategy for the development of the science and technology park, based on the results of monitoring the implementation of the strategy for the development of the science and technology park over a period of five years;

3) failure to comply with the criteria for assigning the status of a science and technology park, as provided for in paragraph 2 of this article.";

17) in Article 34:

paragraph 3 after the word “activities” shall be supplemented with the words “, including at the expense of special proceeds from deductions of subsoil users in accordance with the budget legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan and the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan on subsoil and subsoil use”;

point 4:

after the word "education" add the words "and its organizations";

add the second part with the following content:

"The period for the implementation of scientific, scientific-technical projects and programs is calculated from the date of the conclusion of the agreement for the implementation of scientific, scientific-technical projects and programs and covers the entire period of implementation of the activities of the calendar plan.";

18) in Article 36:

part one of paragraph 1:

after the word “research” add the words “, including for experimental design work”;

add the words “, as well as a grant within the framework of international treaties of the Republic of Kazakhstan”;

paragraph 4 after the word “formations” add the words “and their organizations”;

paragraph 6 after the word “entities” add the words “and their organizations”;

clause 10 after the words “announced the competition,” add the words “no later than the deadlines established by the authorized body”;

19) in Article 37:

in the first part of paragraph 3, after the word “formations”, add the words “and their organizations”;

in the first part of paragraph 5, after the word “entities”, add the words “and their organizations”;

clause 10 after the words “announced the competition,” add the words “no later than the deadlines established by the authorized body”;

20) Article 41 shall be supplemented with subparagraph 9) of the following content:

"9) science-intensive territories.";

21) paragraph 2 of Article 45 shall be supplemented with subparagraph 9) of the following content:

"9) provides grants for research and development work to accredited entities engaged in scientific and (or) scientific and technical activities.";

22) supplement Article 52 with paragraph 6 of the following content:

"6. Co-financing of joint international projects and/or programs may be carried out through grant or program-targeted funding in accordance with the rules for funding science."

17. In the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated July 1, 2024 "On public procurement":

1) subparagraph 10) of Article 1 after the word “education” add the words “and other accredited entities of scientific and (or) scientific and technical activities”;

2) paragraph 2 of Article 17 shall be supplemented with the third part of the following content:

"Standard contracts for the purchase of textbooks and teaching aids are drawn up taking into account the specifics established by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan "On Education."

Article 2.

1. This Law shall enter into force upon expiry of sixty calendar days after the date of its first official publication, with the exception of:

- 1) paragraphs 6, 10, 11 and 14, subparagraph 3), paragraphs eight through seventeen of subparagraph 8) of paragraph 16 of Article 1, which shall enter into force upon expiry of ten calendar days after the day of its first official publication;
 - 2) paragraphs three, four and five of subparagraph 6) of paragraph 4 of Article 1, which shall enter into force upon expiry of six months after the date of its first official publication;
 - 3) paragraph 2, subparagraphs 5) and 6) of paragraph 5, subparagraphs 1), 3), 4), 5) and 9) of paragraph 7 and paragraph 9 of Article 1, which shall enter into force on January 1, 2027.
2. The effect of paragraph 1, subparagraph 3) of paragraph 5 of Article 1 of this Law shall extend to legal relations arising from pension annuity agreements concluded prior to the entry into force of this Law.

President

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