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In February 2016, at the meetings of the Government of the Russian Federation the following issues, among other thing, were discussed: a draft law simplifying adjustment of state (municipal) programs; a draft law abolishing bearer saving books and bearer saving certificates; a draft law expanding the category of public sector workers in respect of which the ultimate level of average wage ratio is applied.

On 11 February, at the meeting of the Government of the Russian Federation the draft Federal Law on Suspension of Article 179.2.4 of the Budget Code of the Russian Federation was considered. The above draft law is aimed at making simpler the procedure for adjustment of state (municipal) programs in 2016.

Taking into account a complicated economic situation, it is proposed to suspend for a year (till 1 January 2017) the norm of Article 179.2.4 of the Budget Code of the Russian Federation which provides for harmonization of state (municipal) programs with the law (decision) on the budget within three years from the day it became effective.

In addition to the above, it is established by the draft law that in 2016 state programs of constituent entities of the Russian Federation and municipal programs are to be brought in compliance with the Law (Decision) on the 2016 Budget and the 2017–2018 Planned Period in cases and within timelimits set by the law of a constituent entity of the Russian Federation and municipal statutory act of the representative body of the municipal entity.

The draft law was approved at the meeting of the Government of the Russian Federation and submitted to the RF State Duma.

On 18 February, at the meeting of the Government of the Russian Federation the draft Federal Law on Amendment of the Civil Code of the Russian Federation and Individual Statutory Acts of the Russian Federation (as Regards Regulation of Operations of Credit Institutions with Saving (Deposit) Certificates and Bearer Securities was considered.

If approved by the RF State Duma, the draft law will exclude from the Russian legislation the institute of bearer saving books and bearer saving certificates.

The above measure is justified by the fact that the above instruments can easily be used as pseudo cash funds. Transfers of bearer saving books and bearer saving certificates as settlement instruments are difficult to detect. By virtue of the fact that the existing Civil Legislation does not limit the amount of deposit of cash funds in bearer saving books or bearer saving certificates, the volume of conversion of cash funds in the above instruments used as payment and settlement means is in no way limited.

At the meeting of the Government of the Russian Federation, the draft law was approved and submitted to the RF State Duma.

On 24 February, at the meeting of the Government of the Russian Federation draft Federal Law on Amendment of the Labor Code of the Russian

Federation expanding application of the ultimate level of the average wage ratio for public sector workers was considered.

At present, regulation of the ultimate level of the average wage ratio of managers and workers of entities is carried out on the basis of Resolution No.583 of 5 August 2008 of the Government of the Russian Federation on Introduction of New Systems of Labor Remuneration of Workers of Federal Budget-Funded, Autonomous and Public Institutions and Federal State Authorities, as Well as Civilian Personnel of Military Units, Institutions and Units of Federal Executive Authorities where Military and Equal Services are Provided for by the Law and Whose Remuneration is Carried out at Present on the Basis of the Single Salary Plan for Workers of Federal State Institutions.

By the above Resolution of the Government of the Russian Federation, the ultimate level of the average wage ratio was envisaged only for managers of state and municipal entities and was set with multiplicity from 1 to 8.

According to the draft law, the ultimate level of the average wage ratio will be applied to managers, their deputies and chief accountants of state extrabudgetary funds, territorial mandatory medical insurance funds, state and municipal agencies and state and municipal unitary enterprises.

The draft law was approved at the meeting of the Government of the Russian Federation and submitted to the RF State Duma.