

Abstract

The Annual Report on China's Rule of Law No. 11 (2013) (the Blue Book of Rule of Law), analyzes various hot and key issues of the rule of law in the fields of legislation, government by law, judicial reform, construction of an honest and clean government, criminal law, social law, and civil and commercial law, in China in the year 2012, including housing demolition and relocation, disaster prevention and reduction in cities, regulation of securities business, protection of intellectual property right, and environmental protection.

The Blue Book of Rule of Law (2013) continues to feature a series of investigation reports on the situation of the rule of law in China, including investigation and evaluation, on the basis of the information available at government websites, of disclosure of government information by 59 departments under the State Council, 26 provincial-level governments, and 43 governments of larger cities; investigation and evaluation, on the basis of information available at the websites of people's courts, of the openness of judicial affairs by the higher people's courts of 26 provinces and municipalities and the intermediate people's courts of 43 larger cities; investigation and evaluation, on the basis of information available at the websites of people's procuratorates, of the openness of procuratorial affairs by the people's procuratorates of 26 provinces and municipalities and the people's procuratorates of 43 larger cities; and investigation and analysis of such issues as regulation by law of the profit-making activities of relatives of public officials, government procurement, revision of the Chinese Treaty Law, problems in the protection of personal information by enterprises and countermeasures thereof, and new progresses made by the government of Yuhang District of Hangzhou City in the construction of the rule of law.



In the section on local rule of law, the Blue Book examines the practice and innovations of Guangdong Province in the supervision work of people's congresses, the innovative practice of Ningbo in social management, the trade risks faced by exporting enterprises in Zhejiang province, the land issues in the industrialization and urbanization of Chengdu and the surrounding areas, and explores, through a case study of the People's Court of Xicheng District of Beijing Municipality, practice of Chinese courts relating to the establishment of a pluralistic dispute resolution mechanism.

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