The impact of the pattern resulting from the European Charter of Local Self-Government on the institution of public consultation in Poland*

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Abstract

The purpose of this article is to indicate the impact of the pattern resulting from the provisions of the European Charter of Local Self-Government on the institution of public consultation in Poland. This form of public participation, optional as to its results, has been present in Polish legal culture for many years, while the author found it necessary to examine the above pattern with Polish legal provisions on public consultation. The paper uses the dogmatic-legal method, which consists in analyzing the existing normative material in the research area in question. The research proved that the model shown in the European Charter of Local Self-Government has not been fully implemented in the Polish legal order and the institution of public consultation in Poland is not used in the way it follows from the cited pattern.

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