

FEDERAL LAW NO. 113-FZ OF AUGUST 5, 2000 ON THE PROCEDURE FOR THE FORMATION OF THE FEDERATION COUNCIL OF THE FEDERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION (with the Amendments and Additions of December 16, 2004, July 25, 2006, July 21, 2007)

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Article 1. Under the Constitution of the Russian Federation the Federation Council of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation (hereinafter referred to as "the Federation Council") shall comprise two representatives from each subject of the Russian Federation: one each from the legislative (representative) and the executive bodies of state power of the subject of the Russian Federation.

The member of the Federation Council may be an elected (appointed) citizen of the Russian Federation not having the citizenship of a foreign state or a residential permit or another document, confirming the right of the citizen of the Russian Federation to the permanent residence on the territory of a foreign state, who has reached the age of thirty years who has lived at least 10 years in total on the territory of the entity of the Russian Federation whose body of state power he is being elected (appointed) as a member of the Federation Council, and eligible to vote and be elected to bodies of state power under the Constitution of the Russian Federation.

Article 2. The member of the Federation Council who is a representative of the legislative (representative) body of state power of a subject of the Russian Federation shall be elected by the legislative (representative) body of state power of the subject of the Russian Federation for the term of authority of this body and in the case of the formation of the legislative (representative) body of a subject of the Russian Federation by means of rotation - for the term of authority of the members of this body elected one time.

The member of the Federation Council who is a representative of a two-chamber legislative (representative) body of state power of a subject of the Russian Federation shall be elected in turn from each of the chambers for half of the term of authority of a respective chamber.

A member of the Federation Council - a representative of a unicameral legislative (representative) body of state power of an entity of the Russian Federation must be elected not later than three months from the day of the first meeting in a competent composition of the legislative (representative) body of state power of the entity of the Russian Federation of the new convocation, including in case of an early termination of the authority of that body of the previous convocation, and a member of the Federation Council - a representative of a bicameral legislative (representative) body of state power of an entity of the Russian Federation and a member of the Federation Council - a representative of the legislative (representative) body of state power of an entity of the Russian Federation formed by way of rotation - from the day of the expiry of the term for which the previous representative of the relevant body was elected.

In case of an early termination of the authority of a member of the Federation Council - a representative of the legislative (representative) body of state power of an entity of the Russian Federation, the new member of the Federation Council - a representative of that body must be elected not later than three months from the day of the termination of the authority of the previous member of the Federation Council.

Article 3. The candidacy (candidacies) for the election of a representative at the Federation Council from a unicameral legislative (representative) body of state power of an entity of the Russian Federation shall be submitted for the consideration of that body by its chairman.

At a bicameral legislative (representative) body of state power of an entity of the Russian Federation the candidacy (candidacies) for the election of a representative at the Federation Council shall be submitted for the consideration of that body in turn by the chairmen of the chambers.

A group of deputies numbering at least one third of the total number of deputies of the legislative (representative) body of state power of an entity of the Russian Federation may submit for the consideration of that body an alternative candidacy (alternative candidacies) for the election of a representative to the Federation council.

Article 4. The representative of the executive body of state power of a subject of the Russian Federation in the Federation Council shall be appointed by the supreme office-holder of the subject of the Russian Federation (head of the supreme executive body of state power of the subject of the Russian Federation) for his/her term of office.

A member of the Federation Council - a representative of the executive body of state power of an entity of the Russian Federation must be appointed within three months from the day of the assumption of office by the supreme official of the entity of the Russian Federation (the head of the supreme executive body of state power of the entity of the Russian Federation), including in the case of an early termination

of the authority of the previous supreme official of the entity of the Russian Federation (the head of the supreme executive body of state power of the entity of the Russian Federation).

In the case of an early termination of the authority of a member of the Federation Council - a representative of the executive body of state power of an entity of the Russian Federation the new representative of that body must be appointed within three months from the day of the termination of the authority of the previous member of the Federation Council.

Article 5. The decision of the legislative (representative) body of state power of a subject of the Russian Federation to select the representative of the legislative (representative) body of state power of the subject of the Russian Federation in the Federation Council shall be adopted by secret ballot and shall be executed by a decision of the said body or joint decision of both chambers in case of a two-chamber legislative (representative) body of state power of the subject of the Russian Federation.

The decision of the supreme office-holder of a subject of the Russian Federation (head of the supreme executive body of state power of a subject of the Russian Federation) whereby the representative of the executive body of state power of the subject of the Russian Federation in the Federation Council is appointed shall be executed by a decree (decision) of the supreme office-holder of the subject of the Russian Federation (head of the supreme executive body of state power of the subject of the Russian Federation). The decree (decision) shall within three days be forwarded to the legislative (representative) body of state power of the subject of the Russian Federation.

The decree (decision) whereby the representative of the executive body of state power of a subject of the Russian Federation in the Federation Council is appointed shall take effect unless at the next scheduled or special session of the legislative (representative) body of state power of the subject of the Russian Federation two thirds of the total number of its deputies vote against the appointment of this representative of the executive body of state power of the subject of the Russian Federation in the Federation Council.

Article 6. The legislative (representative) body of state power of a subject of the Russian Federation shall consider a candidacy (candidacies) for election as a representative in the Federation Council in compliance with the standing orders of this body.

Article 7. Nominees for election (appointment) as a representative in the Federation Council shall provide the following to the legislative (representative) body of state power of the subject of the Russian Federation or the supreme office-holder of the subject of the Russian Federation (head of the supreme executive body of state power of the subject of the Russian Federation) respectively:

- a) information on the amount and sources of the candidate's earnings for the year preceding the year of election (appointment);
- b) information on the property owned by the candidate.

Article 8. The body of state power of an entity of the Russian Federation that has taken a decision on the election (appointment) of a member of the Federation Council shall, not later than on the day following the day of the entry of the decision into force, inform by telegram the Federation Council about the substance of the decision and about the date of its entry into force and, within five days from the day of the entry of the decision into force, send it to the Federation Council.

The elected (appointed) member of the Federation Council shall, within five days from the day of the entry into force of the decision on his (her) election (appointment), send to the Federation Council a copy of the order (or of another document) about the release from any duties incompatible with the status of a member of the Federation Council, or a copy of a document certifying that he has, within three days, submitted an application for release from such duties.

Article 9. The authority of a member of the Federation Council shall begin from the day of the adoption by the Federation Council of a decision on the confirmation of the authority of that member of the Federation Council. The authority of a member of the Federation Council shall terminate from the day of the adoption by the Federation Council of a decision on the confirmation of the authority of the new member of the Federation Council - a representative of the same body of state power of the entity of the Russian Federation.

The authority of a member of the Federation Council shall terminate early on the grounds stipulated by the Federal Law on the Status of a Member of the Federation Council and the Status of a Deputy of the State Duma of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation (in the wording of Federal Law No. 133-FZ of July 5, 1999).

The procedure for the adoption by the Federation Council of decisions on the confirmation of the authority of newly elected (appointed) members of the Federation Council and decisions on the termination of the authority of members of the Federation Council shall be established by the Regulations of the Federation Council of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation.

Article 10. The present Federal Law shall come into force as of the date of the official publication thereof.

Article 11. Abolished

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Article 13. The present Federal Law shall supersede, effective from the date when it takes effect, Federal Law No. 192-FZ of December 5, 1995 on the Procedure for the Formation of the Federation Council of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation (Sobranie Zakonodatelstva Rossiskoy Federatsii, item 4869, No. 50, 1995).

Article 14. In connection with the adoption of the present Federal Law the President of the Russian Federation is hereby recommended to lay proposals before the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation for amending the legislation of the Russian Federation for the purpose of ensuring the effective operation and interaction of the bodies of state power.

Article 15. The Government of the Russian Federation is hereby instructed to bring its regulatory legal acts into conformity with the present Federal Law.

Article 16. The legislative (representative) and executive bodies of state power of the subjects of the Russian Federation are hereby recommended to adopt regulatory legal acts required for the purposes of implementing the present Federal Law.

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