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## **Legal Department**



# **LAW ON AMENDMENTS TO THE CRIMINAL CODE OF REPUBLIKA SRPSKA**

**“Official Gazette of Republika Srpska”, 31/25**

NOTE: The Criminal Code of Republika Srpska was published in the “Official Gazette of Republika Srpska”, 64/17.

Pursuant to Article 80, paragraph (1), sub-paragraph 4 of the Republika Srpska Constitution, the President of the Republic has hereby adopted the following

**DECREE**  
**TO PROMULGATE THE LAW ON**  
**AMENDMENTS TO THE CRIMINAL CODE**  
**OF REPUBLIKA SRPSKA**

I hereby promulgate the Law on Amendments to the Criminal Code of Republika Srpska, which was adopted by the Republika Srpska National Assembly at its Thirteenth Regular Session held on 26 March 2025, after which the Council of Peoples established on 28 March 2025 that the adopted Law on Amendments to the Criminal Code of Republika Srpska does not affect the vital national interests of any of the constituent peoples in Republika Srpska, thereby fulfilling the formal and legal requirements for the adoption of this Decree.

Ref. No.: 01-020-1195/25  
Banja Luka, 3 April 2025

President of the Republic  
**Milorad Dodik**, *manu propria*

**LAW**  
**ON AMENDMENTS TO THE CRIMINAL CODE**  
**OF REPUBLIKA SRPSKA**

**Article 1**

In the Criminal Code of Republika Srpska (“Official Gazette of Republika Srpska”, Nos. 64/17, 104/18 – Decision of the Constitutional Court of Republika Srpska, Nos. 15/21, 89/21, 73/23 and 19/25), in Article 5, the words: “or gender identity” shall be deleted, whereas after the word: “status”, a comma and the words: “other personal characteristic” shall be added.

**Article 2**

In Article 123, paragraph (1), under sub-paragraph 21), the words: “gender identity” shall be replaced with the words: “other personal characteristic”.

**Article 3**

In Article 139, paragraph (1), the words: “or gender identity” shall be deleted.

#### **Article 4**

In Article 359, paragraph (1), the words: “gender identity,” shall be deleted, and after the word: “origin”, a comma and the words: “other personal characteristic” shall be added.

#### **Article 5**

This Law shall enter into force on the eighth day following its publication in the “Official Gazette of Republika Srpska.”

No: 02/1-021-444/25  
Date: 26 March 2025  
Banja Luka

Speaker  
of the National Assembly  
Dr. **Nenad Stevandić**, *manu propria*

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