CHAPTER 1

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 1. The State Statistics Legislation

The state statistics legislation is composed of this Law and other relevant legislative acts.

Article 2. The Sphere of Law Activity

This Law is mandatory to all the legal persons, isolated units of foreign legal persons acting in the territory of the Republic of Armenia, individual entrepreneurs, state bodies and local self-government bodies, state establishments not being the state bodies (hereinafter referred to as the state establishments), as well as to the citizens (providing with statistical information).

Article 3. State Statistics

State Statistics is an activity to be implemented by the state statistics body and its units according to the three-year and annual programs of state statistical work.

Article 4. Principal Tasks of the State Statistics

Principal tasks of the state statistics are as follows:

- organization of the statistical informational system on economic and public processes and their results, provision with information to the state bodies and local self-government bodies, legal persons, state establishments and international organizations, as well as the society according to the established order;

- provision with unique methodology on statistics appropriate to the standards established by international organizations;

- maintenance of the state statistical register;

- maintenance of classificators of required technical, economic and social information for organization of statistical work;

- systematization of development of document forms being the source of statistical information;

- support to state bodies and local government bodies, as well as the organizations mentioned in Program of State Statistical Work in creation of own bases of statistical information with the purpose of comparability of interdepartmental information resources.

Article 5. Requirements to the State Statistics

Requirements to the state statistics are as follows:

- objectivity, validity, neutrality of statistics,

- reliability, accuracy, comparability in time and space, anonymity of the statistical data,

- actuality, stability, integrity of statistical information,

- comparability with the international norms and standards,

- accordance of the statistical indicators with the international requirements to the national accounts,
periodic publication of summarized statistical data,
accessibility and publicity of the statistical information.