

〈Abstract〉

**The legislative trends and prospect of North-Korea**

- The Review of "Is there a law in North-Korea?" -

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This paper provides a general description of the North Korea's legislative trends including recent constitutional reform and attempts to foresee its outlook. The introduction of 'Theory of reinforcement of a socialist law-abiding life', which has been emphasized meanwhile in North Korea and 'Theory of Establishment of a socialist constitutional state' that presents these days would be given first of all. Subsequently the result of the efforts for the completion of a socialist legislative system(Codification) is continued. After giving the outline of the recent key statute laws, the major contents of a law on arbitration in foreign economy, which was recently amended, and some features that are found in revision of the constitution in 2009 would be followed. In the last work it would be covered, how to build the North Korea's socialist constitutional state and what's the next of it.

Raising 'Theory of Establishment of socialist constitutional state', to stand firmly on its successful realization of the "Songun(Military-First)" Politics, today North Korea strongly stress on the all of the citizen's respect and observance of the national law. At the same time North Korea asserts to reinforce the socialist law-abiding life in all kind of field of revolution and establishment and to keep legislate, revise and supplement the laws to meet the demands of the era of "Songun(Military-First)" and to complete the socialist legal system constantly.

All things taken together, it seems that North Korea will tight up the national undertaking of legislation for the completion of a socialist legal system. As an idea under the leadership of party, the north korean theory of establishment of a socialist constitutional state is different in essence from south korean, but a gradual transition to a constitutional nation in north korean society is expected in future. In other words, at a glance of the contents of recently legislated and amended laws in North Korea, instead of an ideological

elements, the function and role as an objective social norms is expected and it might be possible, that north korean society would make a change from a country under the rule of instruction to a law-governed country.

**Key words**

North Korea, Legislative trends, Reinforcement of the socialist law-abiding life, Theory of establishment of a socialist constitutional state, Completion of socialist legal system, a Statue law, Law on administrative punishment, Law on arbitration in foreign economy, Constitutional reform, Military-First Politics, Military-First Ideology, Line of Military-First Revolution, Defense Minister, Prime Leader, the National Defense Committee, Prime National Defense Direction Agency