



◆ Law on amending the Pre-school and School Education Act (no. 50-454-01-15 of 3 July 2024) – ADOPTED

Art. 11. (1) Pre-school and school education in the Republic of Bulgaria shall be secular.

(2) (suppl. - SG 34/2022) In the system of pre-school and school education ~~the imposition of ideological and/or religious doctrines shall not be allowed and the implementation of political and party activities shall be prohibited.~~ no conduct shall be allowed that:

1. Imposes ideological and/or religious doctrines;
2. Execution of political and party activities;
3. Conducting propaganda, promotion or incitement in any way, directly or indirectly, of ideas and views related to non-traditional sexual orientation and/or determination of gender¹ identity other than the biological;

(3) (New, SG No. 34 of 2022) In the system of pre-school and school education, ideologies, doctrines and systems of views and ideas shall be studied in order to achieve the objectives referred to in Article 5, to form national self-esteem, patriotic spirit and patriotism in children and pupils, and in compliance with the State educational standards and curricula.

Additional provisions

§ 1. Within this Act:

[...]

16. “Non-traditional sexual orientation” is a different from the generally accepted and enshrined in the Bulgarian legal tradition concept of emotional, romantic, sexual or sensual attraction between persons of opposite sexes.

¹ Mind that in Bulgarian language there is currently no distinction between ‘sex’ and ‘gender’. When saying ‘gender identity’ in Bulgarian one cannot make clear distinction that what is meant does not in any way refer to morphological characteristics.