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GYLA Submitted to the Parliament Legal Opinion on the Draft Code of Local Self-Government

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In view of the format of the first reading of the draft, GYLA submitted to the Parliament legal opinion on the draft code of local self-government. Firstly, we would like to highlight that the initiated reform is vital with its essence and the scope. Applicable system of local self-government is not sufficiently developed, it is not oriented adequately on citizens' involvement in decision making process and needs to be amended. Accordingly, GYLA supports the initiated reform.

In view of urgency of the reform, it should be carried out along with intensive dialogue and involvement of interested parties.

Though the draft offers some positive initiatives, including direct election of mayors and heads of executive bodies of local municipalities (gamgebeli) by the citizens, it contains some gaps which require further work and elimination.

See the legal opinion submitted by GYLA to the Parliament in the attached document.