#### **REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA**

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# Short history of the probation system in the Republic of Macedonia

<u>Criminal Code 2004/Low for execution of sanctions 2006</u>

The Criminal code from 2004 introduces a separate part "alternative measures".

The Criminal Code in this text does not use the term probation, but it covers alternative measures which are contained of the Criminal Code, and those are: conditional sentence; conditional sentence with protective supervision; conditional termination of the procedure; community work and house arrest. Short history of the probation system in the Republic of Macedonia

 The system of executing alternative measures in the manner in which they are structured with the Criminal Code from 2004 and with the Law on execution of sanctions from 2006 is extremely complex .Several bodies are involved in the execution of the measures, with a highly complicated procedure of executing the measures and it has not achieved the desired results.

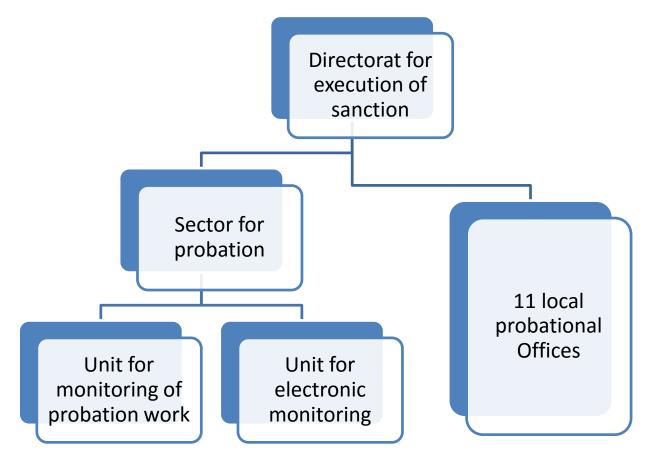
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- Strategy for development of the probation service with an Action Plan for implementation / 2013
- Law on probation / started with the implementation on 1 November 2016 (this month).

### Law of probation

- This Law shall regulate the procedure and probation activities for the enforcement of the alternative measures of suspended sentence with protective supervision, community service and house arrest, as well as other sanctions imposed during criminal proceedings in accordance with the law;
- Probation activities refers to all activities enforced by the probation officers when performing the supervision of alternative measures and obligations supervision, including conditional release imposed to offenders by court decision

## Organization of the probation service in the Republic of Macedonia according the new Law of Probation



Main competencies of the probation service in the Republic of Macedonia according the new Law of Probation

- producing risk assessment reports for convicted individuals, during the judicial proceedings, in accordance with the law;
- performing protective supervision imposed by a suspended sentence or supervised release;
- organization and monitoring of the performance of community service;
- producing written reports for the offender's behavior in prisonandin the correctional facilities;
- conducting monitoring using electronic means in accordance with the law;
- other tasks of significance to the enforcement of alternative measures and sanctions;

### Main strengths

• strong points:

planned system of probation, based on a comprehensive analysis and Strategy for development of a Probation Service

### Plans for the future

• ESTABLISHMENT OF A FUNCTIONAL SYSTEM OF PROBATION SERVICE ON THE TERRITORY OF THE REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA

• Thank you!