

**By its Judgement of 1 March 2022 No. 9-II/2022 the Constitutional Court assessed constitutionality of Article 2 of the Federal Law of 20 July 2020 No. 228-FZ “On introducing amendments to the Federal Law “On Housing Benefits to Citizens Leaving Areas of Far North and Territories Equaled Thereto”.**

This provision became subject to consideration insofar as it is used to decide upon the issue of attributing retroactive effect to Article 1 of the same Law with regard to persons disabled since childhood born after 1 January 1992 in the territories of Far North and territories equaled thereto who were registered as eligible for housing benefits in accordance with the Federal Law “On Housing Benefits to Citizens Leaving Area of Far North and Territories Equaled Thereto” where such persons were deregistered from the relevant roster or where their request to be provided with a state housing certificate was declined due to them being born after 1 January 1992.

The challenged provision was recognised to be in contravention with the Constitution of the Russian Federation insofar as attribution of retroactive effect to Article 1 of the same Law was believed to justify the deregistration of the said category of persons from the roster of those eligible to receive housing benefits in accordance with the Federal Law “On Housing Benefits to Citizens Leaving Area of Far North and Territories Equaled Thereto” or refusal to provide them with a state housing certificate due to them being born after 1 January 1992.