

By the Judgement of 4 December 2023 No.55-II, the Constitutional Court assessed constitutionality of Article 231 (item 1) of the Civil Code of the Russian Federation

This legal provision was the subject of consideration to the extent that, in law enforcement practice, it serves as the basis for classifying animals without owners captured and kept, at the expense of the budget of a constituent entity of the Russian Federation, as municipal property in order to resolve the issue of collecting funds from the municipality in the amount of expenses, incurred on such animals after six months after their capture.

The contested legal provision was recognised as not contradicting the Constitution since it does not imply appropriate application.