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Die Politik zum Schutz von Kindern in der Gesetzgebung Bulgariens in der Zeit 1879–1912

(Abstract)

The aim of the present study is to clarify the main concepts on the essence and implementation of the policy on children in the legislation of post-Liberation Bulgaria. The debates accompanying the preparation, discussion and adoption of the laws in Bulgaria after 1878 concerning the recognition of illegitimate children, their legalization and adoption, their guardianship and inheritance law are examined. Their analysis makes it possible to establish the clear striving of legislators to form a policy concept aimed at protecting children, covering a larger circle of children in the country. This circumstance is an eloquent testimony of the then lawmakers' vision of the significance of this type of policy and of its role in the realization of the future development of Bulgaria.