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## **Institute of the local self-government: emergence and development in the modern conditions**

*The relevance of the topic is primarily due to the fact that local government is one of the most important institutions of public relations. Its development has been a «cornerstone» in municipal science for many decades, since its inception. The article examines the main conceptual concepts of this phenomenon, developed by foreign and domestic authors, gives a step-by-step description of the formation of the Russian institution of local self-government. The actual development of local self-government at the present stage is shown through the analysis of legal documents. As a result of the study, conclusions were made about the imperfection of the legal framework in the field of governance at the local level. There was an urgent need for significant adjustments to the legislative framework related to the regulation and development of the institution of local government.*

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