

**Constitutional control in the Syrian Arab Republic
An analytical study
in light of the Supreme Constitutional Court.
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Abstract

The constitutional control of the Supreme Constitutional Court in Syria is aimed at guaranteeing constitutional legitimacy, safeguarding the existing constitution and ensuring respect for it and protecting it from breaking its provisions, as the supreme law of the state.

There is no doubt that this objective can be achieved only if the Supreme Constitutional Court's control over all legislation of all types and levels, Whether it is original legislation issued by the legislature, or subsidiary legislation of the executive branch within its constitutional competence,

As a result, the Syrian legislator has extended the competence of the Supreme Constitutional Court to constitutional oversight. On the one hand, it has not limited it to the original legislation (parliamentary laws and legislative decrees), but it also includes sub-legislations (systems and regulations) However, the legislator excluded the laws proposed by the President of the Republic on the popular referendum and the approval of the people, from the jurisdiction of the Supreme Constitutional Court, and was not allowed to consider their constitutionality.

On the other hand, the said court was given the power to

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decide on the pleadings referred to it by the courts in the course of challenging the provisions of the unconstitutionality of a legal text or legislative decree or regulations.

This paper deals with the explanation and analysis of the subject of constitutional oversight by the Supreme Constitutional Court of Syria in the light of the new law No. 7 of 16/4/2014.