

**MAKNA KEMANDIRIAN DAN PERTANGGUNGJAWABAN KPUD DALAM  
PENYELENGGARAAN PEMILIHAN KEPALA DAERAH DAN WAKIL  
KEPALA DAERAH SECARA LANGSUNG OLEH RAKYAT  
(The Meaning Of Independence And Responsibility Of KPUD In The  
Implementation Of Direct Election Of Regional Chief And Deputy Regional Chief  
by The People)**

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**ABSTRACT**

The election regional chief and deputy regional chief is carried out as the implementation of people's independence in local level, and of the UUD 1945 message. The constitutional basis for the direct election of regional chief in a region is chapter 18 verse (4) of UUD 1945, second amendment which says that: "Governor, regent, and Mayor as a regional executive chief in a province, region, and city are elected democratically". KPUD is an old institution with new and broad authority. This broad authority influences the independence of this institution. The identified problems which will studied are follow: (1) Has the regulation which regulates the election of regional chief and deputy regional chief guaranteed the independence KPUD as the executor of the election? (2) What is the responsibility mechanism of KPUD as the independent institution in the implementation of the election of the regional chief and deputy regional chief? This study is descriptive analytic which aims to give a description on the implementation of the direct election of regional chief by focusing the problem on the meaning of KPUD's independence and responsibilities. The KPUD's independence is viewed from its independence in determining the regulations of the election of the regional chief and deputy regional chief and solved the violations. This independence is normative. KPUD does not give final responsibility, but it gives information of the steps of the implementation of the election of regional chief and deputy regional chief to the public through mass media, DPRD, and account for the budget.

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