MOTIVATION AND PERFORMANCE OF MAKASSAR CITY REGIONAL PARLIAMENT MEMBERS IN DECISION MAKING

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ABSTRACT

The study aims to investigate the political attitude and performance of regional parliament members (DPRD) of Makassar when they perform legislative function, budgetary function, and they perform supervisory function in the decision making. The study uses qualitative approach to study the political attitude and performance of the parliament members to make a decision in the regional parliament of the city. The analysed unit of the study is the regional parliament members elected in the 2009 regional election. The data were collected through in-depth interview and observation, then descriptively analysed and presented. The result indicates that the political attitude of the parliament members in the decision making process when performing the legislative function tends to accept and support the bill proposed by the local government. The individual motivation of the parliament members in discussing the regional budgetary plan of 2010 inclined to be directed to the interest certain groups and the bureaucratic needs. Their attitude changes when they discuss supervision function in line the change of the law No.22/1999 to the law No. 32/2004 of the Local Government. When the law No. 22/1999 was in effect the accountability report (LKJ) of the mayor of Makassar right before the parliament was often used by the local parliament members as a political device to gain some benefits for specific group/s. when the law No. 34 came to pass the mayor’s explanation of accountability report (LKPJ) was no longer became the object of political mistreatment of the local parliament members because its function was only as administrative one.

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