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The article presents a comparative legal analysis of components of money laundering crimes under the laws of Ukraine and Russia. It is illustrated that the absolutization of the need to fight these crimes may lead to serious violations of human rights. The Ukraine's law practice shows, that the Criminal Code (CC) articles, providing the responsibility for money laundering crimes, are often applied by the law enforcement bodies as the additional means of pressure on business activities. The corresponding legal propositions of the Supreme Court of Ukraine are considered in the article. It is illustrated that the attempts to implement in the criminal prosecution the CC articles, dealing with money laundering, are made even in cases when, according to the Ukraine's Supreme Court legal propositions, the correspondent crime components are absent. However, the crimes, which are considered to be the most typical money laundering crimes (drug dealing, porn trade, arms trade, arrangement of gambling) are left out of sight of the law enforcement bodies.

<u>Key words:</u> the legalization of the revenue, acquired by criminal means, predicate crime, drug dealing, porn trade, arms trade, arrangement of gambling.

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