ECONOMIC MANAGEMENT FUNCTION OF THE STATE OF THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM

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INTRODUCTION

1. Significance of the research

Mankind history has recorded the birth, development, survival struggle, and decline of various forms of states. Along with that process, the role and function of the State in socio-economic development have been strongly highlighted, represented not only social classes but also the characteristics of institutions, structures, and organizations of society in each period, and in accordance with the development of human cognition. The state in a socialist-oriented market economy has similar connotations and differences in comparison with states in general. However, due to the lack of clear definitions to distinguish the two concepts of "economic function" and "economic management function," the design, implementation, monitoring, and evaluation of the effectiveness of state management policies are ineffective, as right now there exist many fuzzy and overlapping gaps in theory. Not only that, the gap between the designed policy and the actualization of policy decisions is quite far from reality. Therefore, from the time the policies are established and issued until those policies take effects, there are many issues worth discussing.

In Vietnam, building a socialist-oriented, modern market economy which is internationally integrated, under the control of the socialist rule-of-law State, is a consistent policy throughout the process of national reform. After more than 30 years of renovation and after more than ten years of joining the World Trade Organization, the integration process of Vietnam has been taking place more and more deeply, positively affecting the socio-economic development. In the current period, international economic integration is becoming stronger with the signing and implementation of new-generation free trade agreements, the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership. They

not only open the market but also represent an important step to affirm Vietnam's commitment to integrating deeply into the region and the world.

This process has affected the State and its functions, including the economic management function of the State; and therefore, the State is facing new demands on economic management, social management and securing of human and civil rights. At the same time, along with the process of international economic integration, Vietnam is showing its determination to innovate and build a constructive state, including the Government of integrity, creation, and action to serve the people and businesses. At the Vietnam Development Forum in 2016, Prime Minister Nguyen Xuan Phuc affirmed that our State builds a unified national administrative system and considers the satisfaction of people and businesses a measure to evaluate the effectiveness of the Government, capacity, efficiency, quality of state management activities, with solutions focusing on administrative reforms, minimizing costs, time for implementing administrative procedures, completing policies and laws on investment, production, and business.

In recent years, the reality has shown that the State's economic management function has not really brought into play its effectiveness and efficiency, revealing many limitations and shortcomings such as no synchronous, stable and developed legal system; failure to prevent negativity and corruption in management and use of land and natural resources; the use of resources for investment, production and business and assurance of business freedom and effective attraction of foreign investment capital have not been well implemented; the implementation of economic laws has not been effective ...

This situation has hindered the sustainable development of the country, caused instability in the lives of a part of the population, negatively affecting the operation of businesses and people. Causes of inadequacies in performing the function of economic management of the State vary, but one of the basic reasons is

the research, review, and development of theories on economic management functions of the State are not timely; review of real-life cases is not systematic; solutions to improve and ensure the implementation of the State's economic management function applied in practice are not really scientific, lack of practical theoretical grounds and practical basis of the problem.

For that reason, the Ph.D. candidate chose the topic "Economic management functions of the State of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam" to be the doctoral thesis research topic.

2. Research purpose and objectives

2.1. Research purpose

Proposing views and solutions to ensure the implementation of the State's economic management function to meet the requirements of building a socialist law-governed State and developing a socialist-oriented market economy, ensuring and promoting human rights and international integration in Vietnam today.

2.2. Research objectives

Firstly: Analyzing, generalizing and clarifying the theoretical basis of the State's economic management function, including the concept, characteristics, contents, methods, and conditions to ensure the performance of administrative functions of the State of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam.

Secondly: Assessing the status of the implementation of the economic management function of the State of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam including its strengths, limitations, and underlying causes.

Thirdly: Analyzing views and proposing solutions to ensure the implementation of the economic management function of the State of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam today.

3. Research subjects and scope

3.1. Research subjects

The thesis focuses on researching the economic management functions of the State of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam in the aspects of law formulation, law implementation, and settlement of economic conflicts and disputes, handling of violations in economic activities.

3.2. Research scope

Content: The thesis focuses only on the economic management function of the State of the Socialist Republic through the State relationship with the market and society, associated with the contents of the state management function and methods of performing the State's economic management function in a socialist-oriented market economy.

Parameter: The thesis studies the economic management functions of the State of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam within the territory of Vietnam.

Time: The thesis focuses on studying the economic management functions of the State of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam from 2013 to the present; at the same time, studies and compares with the period of 1976-2013.

4. Theoretical basis and research methods

4.1. Theoretical basis

The dissertation based on the viewpoint of Marxism - Leninism, Ho Chi Minh thought and the views of the Communist Party of Vietnam on the state, laws, nature, functions, and roles of the Socialist State in terms of developing socialist-oriented market economy and international integration.

4.2. Research

The thesis uses the methodology of dialectical materialism and historical materialism to study the function of economic management of the state from the dialectical, historical - specific, systematic, and comprehensive view. ... In addition, the thesis also uses a number of research methods such as analysis, synthesis, statistics, logic and history, comparison ... to implement the content of the research task.

5. Contributions of the thesis

Firstly: identify the issues that need further study to ensure the implementation of the State's economic management function in terms of theory, practice, viewpoints, and solutions. Secondly, the thesis introduces the concept of economic management function of the State, identifies characteristics, content, methods, and conditions to ensure the implementation of economic management function of the State; analyzes and clarifies the role of the State in institutionalizing views and policies of the Party's economic development. Thirdly: The thesis evaluates the status of implementing the economic management function of the State of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam from 2013 to the present, including the achieved, limited, inadequacies and their causes and limitations. Fourthly: The thesis gives views and proposes comprehensive, scientific and feasible solutions, ensuring the implementation of economic management function of the State of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam during the next period.

6. Scientific and real-life implications of the thesis

The research results stated in the thesis contribute to supplement the theory of the state's economic management function, creating a basis for further

improvement and assurance of the implementation of the state's economic management function. Vietnamese law in a socialist-oriented market economy.

The thesis is used as a reference in research and teaching at training institutions, universities, specialized academies teaching theory and history of the state and law; a reference for agencies, officials and public employees who perform the function of economic management of the State.

7. Structure of the thesis

In addition to the introduction, conclusions, list of the author's published works related to the thesis, references, and appendices, the thesis consists of 4 chapters and nine sections.

Chapter 1

OVERVIEW OF THE RESEARCHED SITUATION RELATED TO THE THESIS AND PROBLEMS REMAINED TO BE RESEARCHED

1.1. THE RESEARCHED SITUATION RELATED TO THE THESIS

In the country, research projects include: the role and functions of the State in the field of the economy; the economic function of the State and the function of

State management of the economy; the economic management functions of the State.

In particular, a number of state-level and ministerial-level research works and projects have approached the role and economic function of our State under different perspectives, with quite diverse views. There have been a number of studies showing relatively clear views on economic functions, economic management functions, and economic roles of the State. These works mainly revolve around the concept of the role and function of the State in the management of the country's economy, in the management and operation of economic groups, corporations, state companies.

Many studies mention the role and economic institutions of the state in economic management and building a socialist-oriented market economy in Vietnam. With the view of the role of the State as a direct factor in determining the functions of the state, most research studies on changing the role of the State's economic management in the process of transforming the economic model Moreover, as well as innovations in the role and functions of the state in economic management, the State should have certain limits, should not abuse and interfere too deeply with administrative orders; The state, especially the state administrative apparatus, needs to regulate and adjust itself to the trend of development in reality.

Some studies suggest that the State plays a role of public authority in managing the whole economy, allocating social resources to ensure high economic efficiency, and assisting enterprises in accessing capital resources.

Internationally, through the study of theories, especially the theory of economic freedom, the theory of regulated economy, the theory of mixed economies, the views of philosophers, politicians, economists in the world, there are three main directions: the role of the state in the centralized economy: the

intervention of the state or the management agency is not necessary; second is the opposing view that society and markets need government regulation; and the third is a view of reconciliation, combining state intervention with free choice of market forces.

In the research on the role and functions of the state in economic management, the researchers all affirmed the indispensable role and functions of the state, especially in the least developed countries and countries with economies in transition. According to some researchers, the role and function of the state in economic management are reflected in the main responsibilities of the state, such as: income distribution, overcoming market failures, targeting and supporting the market, promote international cooperation, ... In a number of studies, researchers on law and economics said that in developed market economies, the state has three clear functions on economic management: intervention, management, and welfare regulation.

1.2. PROBLEMS REMAINED TO BE RESEARCHED, HYPOTHESES AND RESEARCH QUESTIONS

1.2.1. Problems remained to be researched

The domestic and international studies related to the above-mentioned research projects highlight the importance of the state in economic management. Subsequent studies further emphasized the role of the state, defining its functions more clearly. Research results of domestic and international research studies related to the research topic of the thesis are the basis for the thesis to inherit, supplement, and develop in the research process. In particular:

Firstly, analyzing theoretical and practical basis, assessing the status and movement trends in implementing the role and functions of the State in economic management and proposing solutions to improve the position. Analyzing, evaluating, and distinguishing functions of the State, markets, and enterprises, and mention the relationship between the functions of the State, markets, and enterprises.

Secondly, analyzing and evaluating in a certain industry or field on a national scale such as economy, administration, ... This research approach is usually in the form of thesis, thesis, syllabus or scientific topics and attracts practical knowledgeable researchers. On the basis of the general theoretical framework, constructions in this direction will be applied to conditions in a certain sector or field, thereby analyzing and assessing the status of state management function of economy by sector and look for feasible solutions.

Thirdly, approaching the role and functions of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam State in economic management from the perspective of multi-sectoral and multi-sectoral state management. Studies in this area focus on emphasizing and promoting the role and functions of the State in economic management. Most of the works have the same conclusion about the efficiency of State management in the transition process has not reached the target; the capacity is still weak. In addition, a few fewer buildings recognize the power of the state as an important positive factor in the achievements of the economy. The majority of studies recognize the role and function of the State in macroeconomic policymaking.

However, the domestic and international works related to the dissertation's thesis also have inconsistencies; some contents have not been studied in-depth, as pointed out below:

Firstly, the distinction between the "role" and the "function" of the state and the government, between the "economic function," "the function of state

management of economy" and "the function of economic management" of the state has not been focused on the analysis and unified. Most studies abroad refer to the role of the state in the field of economics and often identify the state with the government.

In the above-mentioned studies, the definitions, concepts, and connotations of the terms "economic function of the state," "economic management function" and "management function" are missing. State economic management" is unclear. In a modern and integrated market economy, the use of "state" and "government" interchangeably is likely to result in the failure to specify enforcement rights - mobilize resources and public responsibility, transparency, fulfillment of economic objectives, as well as supervisory powers with accountability and a lack of initiative, pushing responsibilities between agencies in the state management of economy.

Second, the role and function of the State and the market in relation to each other are still unclear, as well as in "the relationship of the State, the market and society."

Thirdly, there have not been comprehensive studies on the content and methods of performing the economic management function of the State and the conditions to ensure the performance of this function.

Fourthly, the assessment of the reality of the implementation of the state's economic management function has not been conducted in a comprehensively (in the form of preliminary or thematic), especially the time since the 2013 Constitution was issued to date; There have not been in-depth analyzes and assessments to point out limitations, shortcomings and underlying causes, emerging issues that need to be focused on solving.

Fifthly, the aforementioned studies have not shown a system of scientific and comprehensive solutions to ensure the implementation of the economic management function of the State of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam, contributing to improving the effectiveness and efficiency of the State in economic management.

In general, up to now, there has been no comprehensive, systematic research on the economic management function of the State of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam from the perspective of state theory and history and law.

The researcher finds that four issues need further study:

Firstly, the thesis needs to study in-depth the theoretical issues about the economic management function of the State of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam which clarifies the concept, analyzes the characteristics, roles and content of the State's economic management function. In particular, the explanation to clarify the implementation methods and conditions to ensure the performance of the State's economic management function.

Secondly, it is necessary to clearly stipulate by law, in which the delineation of responsibilities and authority of agencies in the state apparatus is really necessary.

Thirdly, the problem of perfecting the socialist-oriented market economy institution, including perfecting the economic law.

Fourthly, solutions to ensure the implementation of the economic management function of our State now and in the coming period.

1.2.2. Hypotheses and research questions

1.2.2.1. Hypotheses

The economic management function of the State of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam is studied in a state model with "Vietnam's economy is a socialist-oriented

market economy" and the State is modeled after the State of tectonic development, not the State of a centralized bureaucratic centralized economy, managing the economy mainly by administrative orders based on a detailed system of norm of ordinances from top to bottom and downward is not the State's adjustment in a free market economy; This lack of full and unified awareness is likely to lead to a weakening of the national economic system, hindering the development of a socialist-oriented market economy in Vietnam.

1.2.2.2. Research questions

Research question 1: So, what is the function of economic management of the state? What are the characteristics, contents, methods, and conditions to ensure the implementation of the economic management function of the State of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam?

Research question 2: Does the process of changing, developing, and implementing the economic management function of the State of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam follow the objective law? What limitations and causes are there?

Research question 3: Which view should be thoroughly grasped to ensure the economic management function of the State of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam in the current period? Are there any solutions to improve and ensure the performance of the state's economic management function?

Chapter 2

THEORETICAL FOUNDATION OF THE ECONOMIC MANAGEMENT FUNCTION OF THE STATE OF THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM

2.1. CONCEPT AND CHARACTERISTICS OF THE ECONOMIC MANAGEMENT FUNCTION OF THE STATE OF THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM

2.1.1. Concept of the economic management function of the state of Socialist Republic of Viet Nam

2.1.1.1. The conception of the function of the state

Literatures on four types of economy system (free-market economy, centrally planned economy, mixed economy, and tectonic economy) have shown that, currently, the economic management function of the state is the main function of the state, presenting a dynamic role of the state in developing the economy and creating suitable conditions for the economy to thrive. The state performs its economic management function to make an impact on the economy when the market is inefficient, inequal, and the regulations of the state are necessary.

2.1.1.2. Concept of the economic management function of the state

The economic management function of the state of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam is the main activities of the state in guiding development, influencing different areas and sectors of the socialist market-oriented economy; in order to achieve various socio-economic goals in different development stage of the country.

As the above definition suggests, key points of the economic management function of the state include: constructing and publishing an economic legal system; implementing the economic law; handling violations of the economic law, and solving economic conflict; solving the shortcomings of the market economy; and ensuring international integration, encouraging foreign economic relations.

2.1.2. Characteristics of the economic management function of the state of Socialist Republic of Viet Nam

Characteristics of the economic management function of the state of Socialist Republic of Viet Nam include:

- Orientation
- The rule of law
- Unity

• Compatibility with 'development partners'

2.2. CONTENTS AND METHODS OF PERFORMING THE ECONOMIC MANAGEMENT FUNCTION OF THE STATE OF THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM

2.2.1. Contents of performing the economic management function of the state of Socialist Republic of Viet Nam

The thesis studies contents of the economic management function of the state, which include: constructing and publishing an economic, legal system; implementing the economic law; handling violations of the economic law, and solving economic conflict; solving the shortcomings of the market economy; and ensuring international integration, encouraging foreign economic relations.

2.2.2. Methods of performing the economic management function of the state of Socialist Republic of Viet Nam

Administrative methods combine with education; economic methods; jurisdictional methods.

2.3. THE CONDITIONS FOR THE ECONOMIC MANAGEMENT FUNCTION OF THE STATE OF THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM TO EXIST AND OPERATE

The thesis analyses four conditions for the economic management function of the state of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam to exist and operate: politics – law, economics, culture, technology, and then confirming the importance and necessity of these conditions.

Chapter 3

DEVELOPMENT PROCESS AND CURRENT SITUATION OF PERFORMING THE ECONOMIC MANAGEMENT FUNCTION OF THE STATE OF THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM

3.1. THE DEVELOPMENT PROCESS OF THE ECONOMIC MANAGEMENT FUNCTION OF THE STATE OF THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM IN THE AGE OF REFORM

Since and throughout the reformation in 1986, the economic management function of the state of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam had improved tremendously in the following activities: constructing and publishing an economic legal system; implementing the economic law; protecting legal economic relations, handling violations of the economic law, and solving economic conflict; solving the shortcomings of the market economy; and ensuring international integration, encouraging foreign economic relations.

3.2. CURRENT SITUATION OF CURRENT SITUATION OF PERFORMING THE ECONOMIC MANAGEMENT FUNCTION OF THE STATE OF THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM

3.2.1. Positive aspects and achievements

(1) Positive aspects and achievements in constructing and publishing economic law

Firstly, the state had built and is gradually improving the laws of ownership and business freedom.

Secondly, the state had issued the laws for synchronization of the markets: goods and services market; labor market; science and technology market; real estate market; financial market.

Then, the laws on public finance were also constructed and completed.

Finally, the state had completed the laws on resources and environment based on strict management, sustainable development, and harmony between using and protecting natural resources.

(2) Positive aspects and achievements in implementing economic laws

Firstly, the economic management system of the state is getting more refined and becoming more suitable for the political and socio-economic changes in the country.

Secondly, the functions and authorizations of government organizations are defined clearly, and the quality of staffs is also improving.

Next, the implementation process of economic plans, missions, and goals is synchronized and efficient.

Finally, the democratic principle of the institution is secured and ensured.

(3) Positive aspects and achievements in protecting legal, economic relations, handling violations of the economic law, and solving economic conflict

Firstly, the court system holds an important position in solving economic conflict and violation.

Next, the review and revision of the legal document are being accelerated.

Finally, the judicial system is perfecting with increasing autonomy and support from the laws.

- (4) Positive aspects and achievements in solving the shortcomings of the market economy
- (5) Positive aspects and achievements in ensuring international integration, encouraging foreign economic relations.
- (6) Positive aspects and achievements in the methods of performing the economic management function

3.2.1.2. Reasons for positive aspects and achievements

Firstly, the awareness of contents and characteristics of the socialist market-oriented economy is rising.

Secondly, there is a mutual agreement among policymakers in term of theory regarding the employment of the law to regulate the economy by the state.

Then, economic law has met the requirement of practical demands and international integration.

Next, the state has made an adjustment to the market to make it more efficient, in close relation with regional and international markets.

Finally, the method of leadership of the Party with the state in performing economic management function is gradually improving to meet the demand of a socialist market-oriented economy and international integration.

3.2.2. Shortcoming and the cause

3.2.2.1. Shortcoming

- (1) The activity of constructing and publishing economic law has errors, which eventually resulted in inconsistency, instability, and low quality.
- (2) The implementation of economic law is unprofessional. The monitoring mechanism is a mere formality, without actual efficiency.
- (3) The effectiveness in protecting economic relations, solving legal violation, and economic conflict is low.
- (4) The solution for the shortcoming of the market economy is ineffective.
- (5) The international integration and the encouragement of foreign economic relations are passive and lacking supports.
- (6) The methods to perform the economic management function of the state lack harmony in practice.

3.2.2.2. Causes of the shortcomings

Firstly, the understanding of the role of the economic management function of the state in the market economy is outdated

Secondly, the capacity to build and enforce institutions of the state employees cannot catch up with the development of the market economy.

Next, the legal and political environment is not stable enough for the state to allow the business subject to perform their rights.

Moreover, the relationship between the state, the market, and society, is not fully recognized; thus, negatively influences the lives of people and enterprises.

Finally, the organization to carry out the ways of the Party regarding economic policy and law in all levels is ineffective, lacking disciplines.

Chapter 4

VIEWPOINTS AND SOLUTIONS FOR MORE EFFECTIVE PERFORMANCE OF THE ECONOMIC MANAGEMENT

FUNCTION OF THE STATE OF THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM

4.1. VIEWPOINTS FOR MORE EFFECTIVE PERFORMANCE OF THE ECONOMIC MANAGEMENT FUNCTION OF THE STATE OF THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM

The thesis focuses on these four main perspectives:

- (1) Thoroughly understand the viewpoint in building a socialist marketoriented economy in Vietnam
- (2) Thoroughly understand the viewpoint in building a rule of law state of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam, of the people, by the people and for the people.
- (3) Thoroughly understand the viewpoint of actively and enthusiastically integrating internationally.
- (4) Thoroughly understand the viewpoint that performing the economic function of the state must derive from the practical condition and capability of the country.

4.2. SOLUTIONS FOR MORE EFFECTIVE PERFORMANCE OF THE ECONOMIC MANAGEMENT FUNCTION OF THE STATE OF THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM

4.2.1. Changing the understanding of the economic management function of the state

Raising awareness about the role of the economic management function of the state

Changing the awareness about the method to perform the economic management function the state

Changing the awareness about adjusting the economic management function of the state

4.2.2. Continue to complete the law about performing the economic management function of the state

Continue to complete economic law, ensure the quantity, and raise the quality and possibility of performing the economic management function of the state.

Continue to complete the law on organization and operation of the state, on the state employees to improve the efficiency in performing the economic management function of the state.

4.2.3. More effective implementation of laws on the performance of the economic management function of the state

More effective implementation of law on distribution, cooperation, and control the legislative, executive, judicial power in performing the economic management function of the state.

A more effective implementation of economic law in performing the economic management function of the state.

More effective implementation of law on planning and administrative reform in performing the economic management function of the state.

4.2.4. Creating the condition for the effective performance of the economic management function of the state

In order to facilitate the effective performance of the economic management function of the state, creating ideal conditions is necessary:

Ensuring the unified leadership of the Party, encouraging democracy in performing the economic management function of the state.

Ensuring the quality of the state employees who perform the economic management function of the state.

Ensuring the budget for performing the economic management function of the state.

CONCLUSION

1. The economic management is an important function of the state of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam. Especially in the context of economic development and international integration, the influence of the state must be reduced as much as possible and encouraging the objective rules of the market and the freedom of the economic relations. To effectively perform the economic

management function of the state, the state must build a good business environment, allowing the people and the company to operate smoothly. Moreover, the state must also control and regulate the company in every economic sector by using economic law and policy rather than directly interfering to their investment, production, and business.

- 2. In theory, the thesis has discussed: (i) Presenting the economic management function of the state according to four types of economy system: freemarket economy, centrally planned economy, mixed economy, and tectonic economy. (ii) Within the concept and characteristics of the economic management function of the state, in general, and of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam, in particular, the author has mentioned the uniqueness of the economic management function of the state of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam. (iii) Providing a distinction between the economic management function and economic function of the state. Presenting an analysis of the content to perform the economic management function of the state of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam: constructing and publishing an economic legal system; implementing the economic law; protecting legal economic relations, handling violations of the economic law, and solving economic conflict; solving the shortcomings of the market economy; and ensuring international integration, encouraging foreign economic relations. (iv) Clarifying the method to perform the economic management function of the state of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam: administrative methods combine with education; economic methods; jurisdictional methods. (v) Clarifying the conditions to ensure the performance of the economic management function of the state of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam in terms of politics – law, economic, culture, and technology.
- 3. In practice, the thesis has presented: (i) Showing the current condition to perform the economic management function of the state of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam from the Reform period until now, in terms of both achievements and shortcomings in performing the contents of this function: constructing and publishing an economic legal system; implementing the economic law; protecting legal economic relations, handling violations of the economic law, and solving economic conflict; solving the shortcomings of the market economy; and ensuring international integration, encouraging foreign economic relations. (ii) Assessing the current condition to perform the economic management function of the state of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam from 2013 until now in terms of constructing and publishing an economic legal system; implementing the economic

law; protecting legal economic relations, handling violations of the economic law, and solving economic conflict; solving the shortcomings of the market economy; and ensuring international integration, encouraging foreign economic relations. (iii) Presenting the causes of the current condition to perform the economic management function of the state of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam from 2013 until now, including the reasons for achievements and the causes of the shortcomings.

4. Based on the theoretical and practical foundation that has been outlined in Chapter 2 and 3, the thesis has clarified the four viewpoints and the four solutions for the more effective performance of the economic management function of the state of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam. (i) The four viewpoints that need a thorough understanding are building a socialist market-oriented economy in Vietnam; building a socialist rule-of-law state of the people, by the people, and for the people; actively participate in international integration; perform the economic management function of the state based on the practical condition and capability of the country. (ii) The four solutions are changing the understanding of the economic management function of the state; continue to complete the law about performing the economic management function of the state; a more effective implementation of law on performance of the economic management function of the state; creating the condition for an effective performance of the economic management function of the state. A synchronization in performing these solutions will ensure the performance of the economic management function of the state in the current condition when Vietnam is building a socialist market-oriented economy, a socialist rule-of-law state, and actively participating in international integration.

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