



THE STRATEGIC ROLE OF THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR'S PRESECUTION PLAN IN IMPOSING SEVERE PENALTIES FOR CHILD ABUSE CRIMES

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Abstract: *Rentut has a strategic role for the prosecutor in prosecuting serious crimes against perpetrators of child molestation. Rentut functions as a juridical instrument that gives legitimacy to the demands, a victimological instrument that places child victims at the center of consideration, and a social-preventive instrument that affirms the state's attitude not to tolerate sexual crimes against children. In addition, Rentut strengthened consistency in prosecution among prosecutors so that it reflects the institutional policies of the prosecutor's office, not just the attitude of individual JPU. The main focus of this study is to understand how the prosecutor drafts criminal charges that are not only sentencing oriented, but also pay attention to the aspect of protecting child victims who have experienced deep trauma. The results of the study show that, in compiling the charges, the prosecutor considers both objective and subjective aspects as regulated by the Child Protection Law. The objective aspect includes the analysis of legal facts and evidence, and the application of the principle of *lex specialis derogat lex generalis*, while the subjective aspect includes moral, humanitarian, and socio-psychological factors affecting the victim. The procedure for preparing the Rentut is carried out systematically, starting from the collection of trial facts to the preparation of charges ratified by the Head of the District Attorney's Office. In the case of molestation of biological children, the prosecutor emphasized the imposition of punishment due to the betrayal of moral responsibility as parents.*

Keywords: *Child Abuse; Child Protection; Prosecution Plan; Public Prosecutor*

I. INTRODUCTION

The prosecutor is an official who is tasked with representing the interests of the state in the prosecution of criminal cases in court, which has the main task of prosecuting violators of the law in accordance with the applicable laws and regulations in Indonesia. Prosecutors play an important role in the criminal justice system, ensuring that offenders are punished according to their deeds, protecting