

This thesis deals with the issue of traffic crime and its prevention. The topic of traffic crime is a current issue, because transport is a dynamically evolving sector of the economy, but it also brings negatives that affect the most important social values, human life and health. The aim of the thesis is to give a comprehensive treatise on traffic crime, its causes and prevention and to focus more closely on the analysis of criminal offences in traffic. Traffic crime relates to all types of transport, but this work focuses on road transport. The mainstay of the thesis is the analysis of the effective legislation, in particular the criminal law and the assessment whether it meets the requirements of the current situation or it needs to be modified. Traffic crime evolves just like traffic itself. Road users behave differently than they used to. Therefore, the legislation should react and not lag behind. It is important to keep on improving road safety. The thesis consists of five parts. The first one introduces the reader to the topic and explains the key concepts. The second one holds forth on various facts of the cases and provides reflections *de lege ferenda*. The third one describes the factors causing traffic crime and traffic accidents. The fourth one deals with addictive substances and their negative impact on traffic crime. The last one deals with the reflections on the prevention of traffic crime and traffic accidents. There are some suggestions for preventive measures, such as the reform of the education for drivers. The thesis also deals with interesting and up-to-date topics such as so-called police chases, which are a manifestation of increasing aggression of drivers, leaving the scene of an accident or practical problems of the principle of limited trust. It follows up specific cases dealt with by the Czech courts, both the Supreme Court and the Constitutional Court. The work should provide the reader with a comprehensive view of traffic crime, point out some shortcomings in the legislation and make suggestions for improvement in the field of criminal law and traffic crime prevention.