

## **Abstract**

Presented diploma thesis is occupied with issues of so-called “social parasitism” in the socialist Czechoslovakia in early normalization era. It follows existence of a law term “social parasitism”, or more precisely independent paragraph which criminalized “fishy ways of livelihood” and “avoiding righteous job” within the Czechoslovakia penal code. I would like to observe this marginal social phenomenon in a broad perspective. So-called “social parasitism” is understood as a normative, disciplinary and symbolical category which defined basic value hierarchy of socialistic society and had to help make a new consensus for conditions consolidations in 1968. The focal point of the thesis is considering on the environment of Prague in 1969-75 with an aim to analyse the function and role of “social parasitism” in political administration of district authorities, media discourse of local press and in a practice of security authority. The “social parasitism” oppression is explained as an attempt of communist dictatorship and its institutions for creating a moral panic as a restoration tool of undermined legitimacy power in the eyes of Czechoslovakian society after 1968.

**Key words:** social parasitism, criminality, social disciplination, moral panic, Normalization time in Czechoslovakia