Abstract

The thesis deals with the issue of criminal liability for actions occurring in the field of sport. Specifically, it chooses and examines the fields of sports injuries caused between athletes and corruption in sport. In its broadest conception it is divided into three parts. In the initial part the specifics of the society-wide phenomenon sport and substantial "non-legal" concepts of issues are described, in particular concept of sport, its category, the autonomy of sport and sport rules are defined here.

The main part deals with the issue of criminal liability of athletes for causing injury to another. Whether certain actions involving a sports injury meets the definition of a crime is discussed in the context of current legislation. Followed by the research of the possible application of the concrete legal defenses for mentioned actions. For example researched legal defenses are consent of the victim or excusable risk. In this section are most mentioned and analyzed the selected theories of sports and legal doctrines that are often based on similar concepts as concrete legal defenses. Maybe the most substantial de lege ferenda considerations follow that describe possible solutions involving the definitions of sports excess and the special legal defense – sports risk. The interesting practice of the Czech courts is not absented and foreign comparison too, because it is the great inspiration for our doctrine and judicial practice.

The last part of this thesis deals with the issue of corruption in sport. Firstly this broad negative social phenomenon is defined. Then two fields of sports actions with corrupt character are selected. One is the bribery to referees for influence of game result. Some such cases are notorious from media and there are some condemnatory court decisions. The main issue of this part is concept of public interest as key characteristic of bribery offenses. The second part consists any influencing of sport activities, which we can mark as the really unethical but not illegal. However, for example existing phenomenon of betting by athletes to their own matches probably constitute the fraud crime. Furthermore, the opening of this issues of corruption is in various form and social field necessary and beneficial first step in publicly permanently declared struggle with this negative phenomenon.