

## **The law is the same for all but ignorance of law is no excuse.**

### **Abstract:**

This work discusses the comprehensibility and accessibility of law by the general public. Its goal is to analyse the barriers that make it difficult for the public to understand law.

The instability and bad quality of statutes are identified as the key issues of law-making. The main reason for both of these problems is the motivation of politicians to present themselves as active legislators and gain publicity.

The law publication is currently undergoing a transformation in the Czech Republic. This is due to the implementation of the e-Collection and e-Legislation. A great improvement will be achieved by the publication of consolidated texts. A personalized dissemination of legal information could be one of the future steps.

The application of law by the Czech judiciary is of a very high standard but suffers from long proceedings.

I confronted the theoretical conclusions with available research. I also tested selected government solutions. The Czech Republic is investing in digitalization, but the results are still unsatisfactory due to the poor quality of the services.

In the last part of my work I suggested a solution based on the parallel between legal systems and software applications. My proposition is to divide law into three categories based on the number of their addressees.

Category I - the law which is addressed to all citizens. The strictest rules and principles of law-making should apply to this category. A layman should be able to follow the law in Category I easily, without help.

Category II - the law that has a limited number of addressees, such as professionals in a certain field. These addressees must actively seek out the relevant law themselves, possibly with the help of lawyers.

Category III - the law regulating the relationship between the government and the citizens. For this category, the state should set up a special system to shield its citizens from ever-changing administrative law.

The thesis contains only a basic outline of the proposed solution. A detailed division of law into the categories and a proposal of a system protecting the citizens from changes in administrative law can be the subject of a further research.

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