Abstract

This thesis is devoted to the public regulation of renewable sources usage in the Czech Republic. It is however strongly emphasizing the European component of the regulation and it gives some focus to a comparison of Czech regulation with foreign regulation, specifically German. Its objective is to define concepts that are necessary to analyze legal regulation, analyze the evolution of the public law regulation in the area of renewable energy sources, describe current situation and provide some prospect for future, as well as offer suggestions on improvement of the regulation. The thesis therefore in its first part provides definitions of basic concepts, such as renewable energy sources and particular types thereof, production and source of electrical energy. In a following part the thesis using historical legislation as well as other sources follows the evolution of the regulation in question on the Czech territory and focuses on a successful program Zelená úsporám in a greater detail. Chronologically comes the thesis to a current state of regulation of renewable energy sources usage, mainly from a viewpoint of a public support thereof. Hence it concerns mainly about the law No. 165/2012 Sb. on supported energy sources, that makes a major corpus of the public law regulation in this area. It is not the objective of the thesis to describe and analyze the text of the statute completely, rather to emphasize some main aspects with regards to a historical development and possibilities of growth, provided by the statute in the area in question. Because it is a statute derived from the law of the European Union, the thesis offers comparison of the approach of the legislature in the Czech Republic and the Federal Republic of Germany. The aforementioned statute is however not the only Czech law in the area of public regulation of renewable energy sources, so the thesis in a lesser extent also focuses on other legislation. The final and crucial part of the thesis is devoted to a prospect for the future. Thereto it uses already valid European legislation, that will have to be transposed into the Czech legal order, as well as new Czech legal regulation proposals, currently going through the legislative process. In a final chapter it analyzes and comments on a conceptional document – National energy and climate plan of the Czech Republic, subjects it to criticism and finally compares it to a comparable German document.

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