

Abstract

The subject of this diploma thesis are instruments of environmental protection, which are used in the Czech legal system. With the aid of these instruments the state and other institutions try to ensure the most effective environmental protection.

The instruments of environmental protection are divided into two basic groups. On one hand there are instruments with direct effect, on the other hand instruments with indirect effect. In the first group belong instruments administrative, conceptual, vindicatory and special. Economical instruments fall into the second group.

Administrative instruments include primarily different commands, restrictions, permissions, standpoints, expressions, standards and limits. They are about actions that are applied by public authorities. To the conceptual instruments belong different conceptions, plans and programs that represent certain long-term documents of human aiming in a certain area. To the vindicatory instruments belong fines and other forms of penalties. We distinguish tort liability and responsibility for environmental damage. Economical instruments consist mainly of taxes and fees. They are distinguished by distinct effect on addressees by the fact, that they provide them the possibility for the choice of behaviour. To the special instruments belong primarily planning and building procedure, environmental impact assessment, protection of public health and environmental hygiene, integrated prevention and protection against pollution and right to information on the environment.