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The thesis focuses on the theoretical knowledge in the field of lobbying as well as on the means of regulation of this global phenomenon. The topic of lobbying links the humanities across political science, sociology, economics and law, with each of these disciplines contributing its part to the general body of knowledge. As the theoretical section shows, there are few unifying elements in academia in terms of definitions, as each political system works with concepts and definitions differently. The theoretical part also focuses on attempts to regulate lobbying in the Czech Republic, both to increase transparency and trust in the legislative process. Or because of public pressure due to an extremely bad media image.

The practical part of the thesis then links academic knowledge in the field of lobbying and its regulation with the results of research conducted in the form of semi-structured interviews with representatives of key lobbying sectors and institutions. The thesis includes a comparison of the research results with the draft law on the regulation of lobbying, which has been approved by the government of the Czech Republic.

The result of the work is a set of recommendations for a future law on lobbying, which the potential draft should contain. Such a proposal must be administratively simple and respect the proportionality of obligations between subjects.