Summary

Legal Regulation of Disability Pensions in the Czech Republic and its Development

The diploma paper is focused on addressing the area of legal regulation concerning disability and disability pensions with suggestions of possible amendments in the current legal regulation in the Czech Republic. The paper is divided into seven chapters.

Chapter one addresses history of the legal regulation of disability pensions including the assessment of health conditions and disability in order to be eligible for a disability pension. From the general outline of the development of the provision of those individuals who are not able, due to their long-term disablement, to work, it proceeds to detailed addressing of the development of legal regulation of disability pensions as of the formation of Czechoslovakia until its split as of 1 January 1993.

Chapter two describes the international legal regulation related to disability pensions. This chapter specifies the international regulation of social rights, documents of the European Council and the International Labour Organization regulating provision of persons in case of loss of their ability to work, international conventions and social security treaties binding on the Czech Republic and last but not least the legal regulation of disability pensions in the European Union related to free movement of persons.

Chapter three addresses legal regulation of disability pensions in other European states, in particular with a detailed outline of the legal regulation of the Slovak Republic with a short excursus to legal regulations of selected European states.

Chapter four is devoted to general characteristic of the pension system in the Czech Republic in terms of the pension system principles and its legal regulation.

One of the central chapters of this paper is chapter five, describing disability and its concepts, which it describes from several viewpoints. An integral part of disability is the assessment of health condition that is described in this paper in consideration of the current judgments of the Supreme Court of Administration.

Chapter six addresses the legal regulation of disability pensions in the Czech Republic. In particular, it examines the eligibility conditions of granting a disability pension in the Czech Republic and assertion of this claim, the determination of the amount of the disability pension and it describes the concourse of a claim for disability pension and other pension insurance allowances.

Chapter seven addresses the care benefit as a relatively new allowance in the field of social security. It specifies persons eligible to this benefit, the amount of the benefit, statutory conditions of granting the benefit and the very proceedings concerning its granting.

In conclusion of my diploma paper, I compare the legal regulation of the Czech Republic and Slovakia and I suggest possible solutions within our legal regulation of disability pensions.