Summary

Crime related to substance abuse

The purpose of my thesis is to analyse drug problematic in penal law consequences and the main part is focused on drug related crime.

The thesis is composed of four chapters, each of them dealing with different aspects of drug problematic.

First chapter is introductory and it is subdivided into four parts. Part One and Two define important terms of my thesis: addictive substances and drug. Part Three deals with basic division of these substance, specification of their effects and risk of rise their addiction. Part Four discuss some of many causes of abusing drug.

Second chapter consist of two parts. Part One illustrates present circumstances of drug scene in Czech republic. Part two belong to international cooperation, including the main international law treaty's on drugs passed within the United Nations (Single convention on narcotic drugs, Convention on psychotronic substances and Convention against illicit traffic in narcotic drugs and psychotronic substances), solvent of that problem in European union and Czech republic.

Third chapter is subdivided into three parts and provides an outline of relevant Czech penal law. At the beginning I describe some modification due to new Penal Code effective from 1.january 2010, act no. 40/2010 coll., Penal code. Further I discuss individual drug offences: illicit manufacture of narcotic drugs, psychotronic substances and poisons, possession of drugs for personal use, illicit growing plants containing narcotic or psychotronic substances, manufacture and possession of thing to illicit manufacture narcotic or psychotronic substance and propagation of toxicomania. One of the most important changes, which booted new Penal Code, is division drugs into two categories: "soft" drugs, which involve the cannabis substance type, and "hard" drugs. Finally I deal with others crime, which may be related with drug abuse and alternative sanctions, which may be imposed on drugs users

Fourth chapter concentrates on legalization of drugs as an alternative to prohibition and maybe question of future.

Conclusions are drawn in the Fifth Chapter. It's a summary of my thesis, where I generally comment drug problem and new legislation related with these theme.