

Abstract

The diploma thesis analyses a new alternative sentence – house arrest, which was implemented to the Czech legislation by the new Criminal Code effective from January 1, 2010. Chapter One introduces the reader to the concept of punishment and the idea of restorative justice as the basis of alternative sentences. Chapter Two focuses on the history of house arrest including the beginnings of electronic monitoring. Chapters Three to Five are the most significant parts of the thesis because they provide the analysis of substantive and procedural regulation of house arrest punishment and its execution. The author highlights potential problems and tries to make recommendations *de lege ferenda*. Chapter Six describes the control process of house arrest enforcement provided by Probation and Mediation Service and the electronic monitoring systems available in the world. In the last chapter the author shows the experience of some European countries with the house arrest punishment and especially with the implementation of electronic monitoring which could be inspiration for the Czech Republic.