

Diploma thesis: Methodology of investigation of sexual crimes with special focus on the sexual abuse of the child

Summary

The aim of my diploma thesis called Methodology of investigation of sexual crimes with special focus on the sexual abuse of the child was to clarify serious topic named sexual abuse of the child. The dissertation is composed of three chapters each of them dealing with different aspects of sexual crimes especially sexual abuse of the child. The first chapter of the study deals briefly with sexual crimes which create one of the most dangerous and harmful group of crimes. The victims of these crimes are faced with serious physical and mental consequences. It is very specific because of the assault against the intimate sphere of person that influences the free choice in sexual relationships.

The pivotal part of my dissertation represents the second chapter called Sexual abuse of the child. The chapter is subdivided into two parts. The first part characterises forms of sexual abuse of children, victims and perpetrators. The most frequent situation of sexual abuse of the child takes place in the family and the most frequent type of perpetrator is man related with the family, for example the father. This fact is the reason that this kind of criminality is largely latent. Statistics, contained in the text, argue these statements. The most frequent victims are girls between six and fourteen years old.

The second part of the second chapter makes recommendation for policemen, youth workers and judicial persons to pre-empt the formation of the secondary trauma by the child. The children are in danger of the secondary trauma primarily in the case of interrogation and judicial proceedings. The guidance of interrogation and the treatment with abused children has set rules, which ensure, that the children manage to be confront with the criminal experience again without needless stress.

Chapter three is based on correction and prevention of sexual abuse of children and consists of three parts. Part one illustrates the approach to abused children. It is necessary to take the child from his family in some cases. This act comes under the youth workers likewise the subsequent placement of the child in the substitute care. The text also discusses the problem of youth workers dereliction. Nowadays the care for abused children is performed by states institution as well as by the private establishments.

Part two focuses on the perpetrator, his punishment and correction. The passage attempts to solve the dilemma between safety of the society and liberty of the perpetrator who

executed his punishment. I think it is necessary to isolate the dangerous and incorrigible sexual delinquent from the society. The effective device of this isolation is for example the institution for sexual offenders.

Part three comprises the opinion, that only society, which is informed and able to accept responsibility, can protect children from sexual abuse. Sexual education should be common in the family and in the school. The taboo in the sexual field could have fatal consequences in protection of the children.

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