

Abstract

This thesis focuses on disability pensions in the Czech Republic. It explores the historical development of legislation related to this type of social benefit and it also analyzes the current state of legislation. It investigates the process which follows after handing in the application and assessment of health condition and also forms of appeal. The text of the thesis then concerns the Medical Assessment Service, which provides assessment of health for purposes of the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs. The Medical Assessment Service deals with long-term problems with organization. The thesis reports on related studies of possible reorganization of the Medical Assessment Service which were requested by the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs. The issue is also analyzed from the ombudsman's point of view.