

## **Abstract**

This diploma thesis deals with the current legal regulation and the issues related to the land intended to fulfill the functions of a forest. The aim of the thesis is to evaluate the legal regulations and to provide proposals how to solve the deficiencies. The legal framework of this topic - the basis of this thesis is represented mainly by the individual act in this area – the so called Forest Law. In addition, other legal regulations are also presented. Particular terms are gradually introduced and forests are characterized from the point of categorization. The most extensive part of this thesis is the third chapter which focuses on the protection of the land intended to fulfill the functions of a forest and related institutions. The forest is defined as a significant landscape element and a part of natural protected areas. Furthermore, the principle of sustainable development is mentioned and the instruments used for forest's protection are also defined. Moreover, the principles of land revocation and restriction, the institution of public use of forest so as forest guard and other authorities are presented. The last chapter addresses the issue of property and lease relations of the land intended to fulfill the functions of a forest. Also the re-established institution of tenancy is interpreted. The end of that chapter is aimed at issue of state forest - the state enterprise *Lesy ČR* is introduced and also the current issue of church restitution is mentioned.