

## **Abstract**

### **Comparison of the Interventions by the Czech and German Constitutional Courts to Electoral Systems**

The aim of this bachelor thesis is the comparison of the effects of the interventions by Czech and German Constitutional Courts to the electoral systems and electoral legislation in respective countries. The comparison is relevant also due to the fact that the Czech Constitutional Court decisions often tend to make references to its German counterpart. Moreover, both courts are based on the same model of concentrated and specialized constitutional justice. The thesis will briefly characterize both electoral systems as applied for the elections to the lower houses of parliaments. The actual comparison will be based primarily on the essential decisions on electoral law in both countries: the Constitutional Court of the Czech Republic's decision Pl.ÚS 42/2000, and the Constitutional Court of the Federal republic of Germany's decisions 2 BvC 1/07, 2 BvC 7/07. The aim of the thesis is also to compare the limits of electoral reforms as they have been set by the constitutional decisions of both courts.

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