

Summary

The diploma thesis is concerned with the comparison of the Czech and English criminal legal system with emphasis on the sexual offences. The thesis attempts to find the solutions *de lege ferenda* for the application in the legal system of the Czech Republic. In addition to the critical approach to the chosen issues, the diploma thesis also statistically analyzes the occurrence of the sexual offences.

The diploma thesis is composed of ten chapters; the conclusion is comprised in the eleventh chapter. The introductory chapter documents the different types of legal systems in which the compared countries are categorized. The basic aspects of both the Anglo-American and the continental legal system are explored. The second chapter outlines the sexual offences and offers their classification. The third chapter closes the introduction of the thesis and focuses on general matters related to the sexual offences. The introductory chapters serve as a terminological basis for the whole thesis.

The following chapters characterise the particular sexual offences and challenge the legal provisions governing these offences. The composition of the thesis is designed to correspond with the system of the sexual offences against human dignity as they are covered by the Czech Criminal Code. The English sexual offences are subsumed within the Czech offences and compared with them. The fourth chapter deals with the offence of rape. The chapter addressed to the offence of sexual coercion follows. The sixth chapter looks at the legislation related to the offence of sexual abuse. The family sexual offences are discussed in the seventh chapter.

The eighth chapter focuses on the offences connected with the issue of prostitution; analogously the chapter ninth investigates the offences related to pornography. The last chapter presents the English offences unknown to the Czech legal system. In the conclusion of the thesis the author assesses the effect of the particular legal system on the sexual offences and points out the specific *de lege ferenda* considerations.