

RESUMÉ

Social security system has long term effect on economy of every state and is influenced not only by its history, practice, habits etc., but also by international contexture.

The purpose of my thesis is to analyse historical and contemporary development of legal regulations and explained position and obligation of self-employed persons. One of the most important impulse for this thesis was a new Sickness Protection Act 2006, which means a lot of changes for self-employed persons.

The thesis is composed of five chapters, each of them dealing with different aspects of social security of self-employed persons.

Chapter One is introductory and explains why I have chosen this topic.

Chapter Two defines basic terminology used in the thesis: social security system a self-employed person. The other aim of the first chapter is to introduce self-employed persons and explained their position in social security system. Since 1 January 2004 the self-employed are divided into two groups: full time self-employed and part time employed, who parallel works as self-employed and employees at the same time.

In next chapter I described historical development of self-employed persons. The foundation of the current insurance system applicable to the self-employed were laid in 1990 by adopting the definition of the self-employed. Until then, a special category incorporated farmers, people providing services under a special licence issued by local governments and artists.

Chapter Four examines The Basic Pension Insurance for old age, survivors and invalidity pensions are compulsory for self-employed persons. The self-employed persons are also covered for health care – benefits in case of sickness and maternity. The sickness insurance is not compulsory for them, but they may join on a voluntary basis. About this you can read in chapter Five.

Chapter six deals with the problem of health insurance of self-employed persons and in chapter Seven is described the organization of social security in Czech Republic.

In the end of this thesis I summarized contemporary legislation and showed the latest resolutions of problems in social system.