

The crimes of murder and manslaughter described in this thesis consist in intentional killing of other person. These crimes are very serious ones and are contained in the first part of first chapter of Act No. 40/2009 Coll. the Criminal Code, as amended, and attack against one of the highest and the most protected interest – the human life.

The aim of this thesis is to provide its reader with a rather complex and well arranged description of the above-mentioned crimes from the criminology and criminal law standpoint. The author tried to capture the most essential differences between the murder and manslaughter, both being often called the intentional killing.

The author endeavors to briefly outline in this thesis a historical development of legal regulation of intentional killing from the past to the present day. The thesis also defines the human life, the moment of its commencement and termination as a crucial moment from which the crimes of murder and manslaughter are considered accomplished. Furthermore, it describes their basic and qualified facts of the case, a possibility of punishment of its offenders and individual phases of both crimes described in this thesis. The crimes are also covered from the criminology standpoint, criminology is characterized as a science, individual offenders of violent crimes are sorted out and the victims of the crimes are defined.

The author also determines a special legal regulation concerning the young offenders in the end of the thesis, in particular with respect to their insufficient mental and moral level of development and describes the regulation of murder and manslaughter in Slovakia. The Slovak criminal law regulation, despite the mutual history of criminal codes, shows a lot of distinct signs within the area of intentional killing. Therefore, it is very interesting to compare both Czech and Slovak legal regulation arising from the same criminal Act from 1961.

The topic of this thesis is very attractive and developing from the author's point of view and offering a great scale of options in the criminal law science and thus a huge space for description of their individual irregularities and pitfalls.