

## **Abstract**

The aim of this thesis is to describe and explain the process of advocacy of the Act on Social Housing in two different governmental periods, to find out the reasons for its failure and what strategies the actors used to promote their interests. The Act has been discussed in political discourse since 2007. During the government period of Bohuslav Sobotka, the agenda was pushed through and the substantive plan for the law was subsequently created. In the second government term of Andrej Babiš, work on the substantive plan was abandoned soon after the government was formed, and towards the end of the term there was an effort to push through the part dealing with the Act on Affordable Housing together with the Act on Public Benefit Housing Companies. In both periods, advocacy efforts were unsuccessful. Considering how complex and ambiguous the issue of the housing crisis and the actors involved in it are, I chose the Multiple Stream Framework for research. To analyse the policies, I used thematic analysis to examine secondary data such as public policy documents, strategic documents, expert studies and media outputs. The second type of data I used in my thesis were expert interviews. The results provide information on what strategies were used by the different actors, what were the main disagreements between them and what led to the non-adoption of draft laws.