

RÉSUMÉ

The work presented is a Master thesis completed at the Criminal law department under the Law faculty of the Charles' University.

It deals with recidivism, its causes and prerequisites of its occurrence. Preventive activities in the Czech republic are also a part of this project. Emphasis is put especially on tertiary preventive activities, namely working with people who have committed crime before. Postpenitential care plays an important role here, especially the problems of returning the convicted person into normal life.

For synoptic reasons, the text also contains the overview of the Czech legal regulations, especially the standards of the criminal law. The standards of the social security law, which determine the system made by the state for people exposed to social exclusion, are also dealt with here. Apart from the national legislative, the international regulations are also mentioned here, although they are rather informal recommendations of the EU.

A special chapter is devoted to Czech prison system. Conditions in Czech jails are described as well as programme set up for dealing with prisoners and also the difficulties of so called exit departments.

The most important part of the thesis contains information about the state and opportunities of the postpenitential care. These problems occur in two forms in the Czech republic - compulsory and the voluntary treatment. The compulsory form is connected with so called parole institute, which is the compulsory supervision of a conditionally dismissed person. The voluntary form consists of the possibilities and opportunities the state system can offer to the person who has just returned from jail. These are namely accommodation offers, employment opportunities, social security help and counselling. The subjects that offer this postpenitential help are also included in the text, especially the social assignees from the local authorities, probation and mediation service clerk or the social worker of the Prison service of the Czech republic. The work of non-state non-profit organizations was also given consideration here.

At the end of this thesis, important functioning projects are described and the opportunities for the development and changes are suggested.