

Criminal aspects of corruption in football, abstract

This thesis is devoted to the criminal legal aspects of corruption in football, where the author first introduces the concept of corruption to the readers as such, then the author defines the important concepts of corruption, and bribery for the thesis. Finally, the author deals with corruption in sports, where the author defines the relationship between criminal law and sports and characterizes the concept of corruption in sports as such. The author also deals with the punishment of corruption in sports in Czech and foreign legal regulations. In the next part, the author follows up with a detailed examination of corruption in football, where the author presents major corruption cases that took place in the football environment in the past, both Czech and foreign cases. Furthermore, the author dealt with embedding corruption in football as a phenomenon in both legal and non-legal regulations. A questionnaire survey among respondents from the ranks of referees and delegates of the Prague Football Association and the Ústí Regional Football Association is used to confirm or refute the main and secondary hypotheses established at the beginning of the thesis. The questionnaire survey contains a total of nine questions regarding the frequency of corruption in the football environment and the way it is punished. Through the conducted research, the author found that almost half of the respondents have ever encountered corrupt practices, which confirms that corruption in football is a common thing. Furthermore, the author found that most respondents consider the punishments for corrupt behavior in football according to the disciplinary code of the FAČR to be adequate. At the end of the work, the author deals with the prevention of corruption in football, where he proposes anti-corruption measures, including consideration of legislative changes to the criminal code. The main result of the work is the presentation of the criminal law aspects of corruption in football, its history and especially the description of its manifestations. The side result of the work is a questionnaire survey, the aim of which is to present the opinion of people from the football environment on the punishment of corruption in football and to present the frequency of their encounters with corruption during their career, delegate, or referee.

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