

Abstract

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The topic of the thesis is the development of state social support. Through the state social support the state contributes mainly to families with dependent children who are faced with a recognized social situation that the family is unable to cope with via its own efforts and means. The system of the state social support was established in 1995 and is regulated by Act No 117/1995 Coll. on State Social Support, as amended.

The present system of state social support consists of the following benefits: child allowance, housing allowance, parental allowance, birth grant and funeral grant. Child allowance, housing allowance and birth grant are income tested. Parental allowance and funeral grant are non-income tested benefits. The thesis takes down development of separate benefits of state social support and describes important amendments of Act No 117/1995 Coll. on State Social Support.