Annotation

The thesis brings an outline of the concept so-called special public law status (recognition as a public law body), that provides church and religious communities with an organizational framework peculiar to public law corporation (corporate body under public law), focused on the catholic church. Therefore at the thesis are analysed the foreign models of an application of this concept, in the concrete in Switzerland and in Germany, that might be, as well, an instructive inspiration for Czech Republic. The public law status is through this thesis sets into the context of the modern constitutional state, as one of the signs of cooperation between state and church, hence it forms appropriate conditions to exert religious freedom.

Keywords

church, church - state relationships, state ecclesiastical law and church law, public law recognition, public law status, public law corporation.