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Defamation is a criminal offense that is provided by section 326 of the penal code. According to the study, it is quite easy for an individual to be sued by this action. It appears that this individual usually be guilty by this action again because the degree of penalty is not high enough and the court frequently suspends the sentence for this kind of cases. Therefore, an offender probably has no fear for the defamation case.

The study of this subject matter will cover the idea, the rule, the scope, the basic, and the measure of a penalty of the defamation offense. Furthermore, there will be a study of the remedy procedure for an injure person from a defamation action.

This thesis is also focusing on the defamation offense of foreign countries legal systems. Whether their regulation will be adapted to Thai regulation or not, by emphasizing on the legal enforcement and the remedy procedure.

With regard to the research, it is found that if the court charge the offender on fine punishment with a large amount of money, this way could stop the offender for the second guilty. Besides, the measure of section 56, serving for a public, is one of the strategies that can be used for the defamation case. Considering a civil remedy, the court may grant punitive damages for a defamation case that is an effective way to prevent the offender for wrong doing again.

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