

## **ABSTRACT**

This work intends to demonstrate the importance and necessity of affirmative actions in order to achieve a juridical equality, as well as the democracy set forth by Brazilian Constitution.

In order to reach such objective, we shall perform a brief explanation over the philosophic concept of equality, leading to the constitutionally established principle of isonomy.

Moreover, we shall challenge the Brazilian society, demonstrating the range of its necessity for affirmative actions, which are temporary measures to reestablish the necessary equality before a minority of people, abandoned and discharged in view of social-cultural aspects, or even as a consequence of a bad luck.

In light of the foregoing, we shall clearly demonstrate that a democracy can only be reached, in case of society supersedes the existing inequalities, based in the strength that shall arise out of affirmative actions.