

**AN ANALYTICAL STUDY ON ENACTING TEEN CURFEW LAW IN
MALAYSIA**

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ABSTRACT

The issues of juvenile crimes and social problems have become one of the biggest issue in Malaysia. Most people only know to talk or become the "keyboard warrior" in judging the committers. However, without realized, there is still no concrete way to curb this problem. Thus, in order to deter this problem, our group consists of four members had agreed to propose the enactment of teen curfew law in Malaysia. In our country, there is no such law has been implementing, therefore we had agreed to choose United States of America as the role model. By this research, we had received goods responds from the respondents which they are agreed for the implementation of this law in our country.

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CHAPTER ONE: INTRODUCTION

1.0 INTRODUCTION

Six years from now, Malaysia will be one of the develop country in the world. That is what we have been dreamt of years ago since Tun Dr. Mahathir era. However, in conducting this Vision 2020, we have forgotten about our teenagers, the one who will govern this country. Day by day, there are many juvenile crimes and social problems. This issue has been debated and discussed by many people especially in social media, but there is no concrete way to curb it. So, our research entitled 'An Analytical Study on Enacting the Teen Curfew Law in Malaysia' is basically to propose the impose of the teen curfew law as practice in many countries to prevent juvenile crimes.

1.1 BACKGROUND OF RESEARCH

The term teen curfew is similar with the term juvenile curfew. Both terms are used intentionally to impose a certain time limit for teenagers when they do daily activities. Should there be a curfew imposed on teenagers? Many people believe that the 'teen years' are supposed to be the time these young adults goof around, have fun, and just do some very stupid things, so we should just give up on the younger generation, and just let them do whatever they like. However, according to current research being made by analysts, and scientists' shows that teenagers ranging from ages fifteen to seventeen should have a curfew, a curfew sets a strict boundary, an expectation for a teen to know what time he or she needs to be home. A youth curfew is a popular strategy for curbing juvenile crime rates¹

Teen curfew laws have become a pervasive and popular strategy for controlling juvenile crime. Public opinion is solidly behind the use of curfews, and the primary basis for this support is the notion that curfews make streets safer.²

¹ Weigel, M.(November 29, 2011). Impact of juvenile curfew laws on arrests of youth and adults - See more at: <http://journalistsresource.org/studies/government/criminal-justice/juvenile-curfew-laws-arrests#sthash.a5VPqGYY.dpuf>. Journalist's Resource.

² Adams, K.(May, 2003). The Annals of The American Academy of Political and Social Science. The American Academy of Political and Social Science.