A LEGAL STUDY OF THE VIABILITY OF IMPLEMENTING CONJUGAL VISIT AS PART OF REHABILITATION PROCESS IN MALAYSIA

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ABSTRACT

The overcrowding population in prison had caused critical debates among policymakers. One of the major concerns is about recidivist group. This leads to an argument whether the current rehabilitation process in Malaysia is satisfactory enough to rehabilitate these criminals. What kind of approach that will accommodate these loopholes? This research concerns mainly on Conjugal Visitation program and its effectiveness in rehabilitating a prisoner in hopes of reducing recidivism. This research will also highlight the current theories of rehabilitation or correction that is applied in this country and whether it is sufficient in punishing the criminals, in order to change them into good people. In addition, this research will scrutinise the successful rate of those countries who have already implemented Conjugal Visit and comparison will be made on whether it is possible for us to implement such a system. information of this research were congregated from books, journals, internet databases and interviews. Findings show that Conjugal Visit is successful in the countries which had already implemented them as a method to reduce recidivism rate especially in the US. It is hoped that this research will fulfil the objectives and will be a guideline to be followed in enhancing the Malaysian rehabilitation coordination.

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