

**Enforce dress code for women to curb sexual crimes, says PAS women's chief**  
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A PAS woman MP has called for stricter enforcement to prevent women from dressing "indecently" in public, in order to curb sexual crimes.

Siti Zailah Mohd Yusoff, the party's Rantau Panjang MP declared in Parliament that short pants and short skirts were among the factors that contributed to crimes of a sexual nature.

She said flight attendant outfits were among those that fell in this category of "indecent" dressing.

The PAS Muslimat chief urged the Women, Family, and Community Development Minister to quickly come up with a dress code, which she said would also help prevent sexual harassment.

Siti Zailah felt Barisan Nasional had contributed to the indecent dressing phenomenon through its association with Korean (K-Pop) artistes.

"Maybe this is because BN leaders are bringing in artistes from Korea," she said when Women, Family, and Community Development Minister Rohani Abdul Karim was winding up on points raised during the royal address debate in relation to the ministry.

Meanwhile, Kuantan MP Fuziah Salleh wants a legal framework to deal with sexual harassment cases, citing an incident which occurred in the Parliament building last week.

She told the house a male officer had told a woman MP that she did not get a state executive councilor position because she did not show her underwear.

Fuziah said that when she heard the words being uttered to her fellow MP, she rebuked the male officer, telling him: "This woman is a mother. You should show some respect."

Fuziah added that the officer then said he did not mean it as an insult.

Rohani responded that sexual harassment cases should be brought to court and although the burden of proof was on women, they should persist in proving their case. - July 11, 2013.

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