

vigorous enforcement will be directed against the person who patronizes a prostitute.³⁸

The Mann Act suffers from additional problems. It prohibits the transportation of women and girls for prostitution, debauchery, or any other immoral purpose. This language, which is not confined to illegal acts but encompasses "immoral" conduct as well, appears too broad and vague to the point where fair notice of the activity proscribed is hardly supplied. Moreover, the proscription is not limited to situations in which there is a financial factor. Thus, the act poses the invasion of privacy issue in an acute form.

The Mann Act also is offensive because of the image of women it perpetuates. In the year it was passed, the alien prostitution importation act (penalizing the entry of any alien for the purpose of prostitution) was amended to include boys as well as girls. The Mann Act was directed to a different group; it was meant to protect from "the villainous interstate and international traffic in women and girls," "those women and girls who, if given a fair chance, would, in all human probability, have been good wives and mothers and useful citizens." H.R. Rep. No. 47, 61st Cong., 2d Sess. 9-11 (1909). As the courts consistently proclaimed, the act was meant to protect weak women from bad