

## HR 5269

### Protection for Progeny Act of 2016

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Crime and Law Enforcement

**Introduced:** May 17, 2016

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations. (May 20, 2016)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Mooney, Alexander X. [R-WV-2]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** WV • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	May 20, 2016

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 HR 6313	Related bill	Dec 5, 2016: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations.

## **Protection for Progeny Act of 2016**

This bill amends the federal criminal code to make it a crime to knowingly destroy a living human embryo created through in vitro fertilization without the written consent of each progenitor. A progenitor is an individual who provides an egg or a sperm cell from which an embryo is created.

A violator is subject to a fine, up to six months in prison, or both.

The prohibition does not apply to the destruction of an embryo during or after an attempt to implant it.

Additionally, the bill bars the criminal prosecution of a progenitor of an embryo that is destroyed.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **May 20, 2016:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations.
- **May 17, 2016:** Introduced in House
- **May 17, 2016:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.