

## HR 8609

Protect Peaceful Protests Act

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Crime and Law Enforcement

**Introduced:** Oct 16, 2020

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management. (Oct 19, 2020)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Lieu, Ted [D-CA-33]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** CA • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors (7 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Oct 16, 2020
Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]	D · OR		Oct 16, 2020
Rep. Escobar, Veronica [D-TX-16]	D · TX		Oct 16, 2020
Rep. Hayes, Jahana [D-CT-5]	D · CT		Oct 16, 2020
Rep. Raskin, Jamie [D-MD-8]	D · MD		Oct 16, 2020
Rep. Garcia, Sylvia R. [D-TX-29]	D · TX		Nov 17, 2020
Rep. Jayapal, Pramila [D-WA-7]	D · WA		Nov 17, 2020

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	Oct 16, 2020
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Oct 16, 2020
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Oct 19, 2020

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

### Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

## Protect Peaceful Protests Act

This bill prohibits the Department of Justice from designating Drug Enforcement Administration officers to perform law enforcement duties that do not relate to drug investigations. It also generally prohibits the U.S. Marshals Service from deputizing other law enforcement officers and the Department of Homeland Security from designating additional employees to protect federal property during a protest unless there is a request by a state, Indian tribe, territory, or the District of Columbia.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Oct 19, 2020:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management.
- **Oct 16, 2020:** Introduced in House
- **Oct 16, 2020:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, and Transportation and Infrastructure, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.