

**Congress of the United States  
House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515**

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## ***Act Now to Ban Reproductive Cloning***

Dear Colleague,

Tomorrow the House will consider legislation to ban human reproductive cloning. We urge your support for this measure to prevent this perverse misuse of science that does not serve the common good.

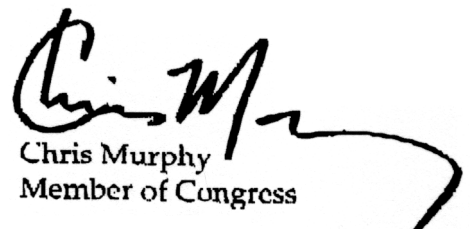
Since scientists in Scotland were able to create a cloned sheep named "Dolly" some have speculated about the possibility of one day cloning human beings. However, there is almost universal opposition to conducting human reproductive cloning. Unfortunately, at this time there is nothing to prevent people in this country from conducting research in an attempt to achieve human reproductive cloning.

The most effective way to prevent human reproductive cloning in the United States is to pass a Federal prohibition on this practice and impose severe penalties for doing so. That is why we have introduced the "Human Cloning Prohibition Act of 2007." This bill would make it illegal to use cloning technology to initiate a pregnancy and thereby create a cloned human being. The penalties for such an act could include severe criminal sanctions, in addition to as much as \$10,000,000 in civil fines. We believe that these severe penalties are necessary to ensure that such an unethical act never occurs in this country.

For more information about this bill, please contact Jed Perry with Rep. DeGette's office at (202) 225-4431 or via e-mail at [jed.perry@mail.house.gov](mailto:jed.perry@mail.house.gov).

Sincerely,

  
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