

The Honorable Jamie Eldridge  
The Honorable Michael S. Day  
State House  
24 Beacon Street  
Boston, MA 02133

Dear Senator Eldridge, Representative Day and members of the committee;

On behalf of the American Society for Reproductive Medicine (ASRM) we are writing to urge your support of the Massachusetts Parenting Act S. 1133/ H 1774.

The American Society for Reproductive (ASRM) has, for nearly a century, been the global leader in multidisciplinary reproductive medicine research, ethical practice, and education. ASRM's approximately 8,000 distinguished members, which include obstetricians and gynecologists, urologists, mental health professionals and others, represent more than 100 countries and impact and inform all aspects of reproductive care and science worldwide. In our role, our focus is on serving both our members, our patients, and the children born as a result of assisted reproductive technologies.

The Massachusetts Parentage Act would bring Massachusetts law up to date with the latest version of the Uniform Parentage Act, with important protections and clarifications needed to keep up with the latest medical advances and certain social changes. The act would ensure children born through Assisted Reproductive Technologies have clear paths to establish their parentage, provides clarity for children born via surrogacy, ensures equality for LGBTQ families and will provide clear guidance to the courts.

We urge you to support this excellent and important proposal.

Sincerely

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President