

NAME

`readproc`, `freeproc` – read information from next `/proc/##` entry

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <proc/readproc.h>
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proc_t* readproc(PROCTAB *PT, proc_t *return_buf);  
void freeproc(proc_t *p);
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DESCRIPTION

readproc reads the information for the next process matching the criteria specified in *PT* and fills them into a *proc_t* structure. If *return_buf* is not NULL, it will use the struct pointed at by *return_buf*. Otherwise it will allocate a new *proc_t* structure and return a pointer to it. Note that (if so specified in *PT*) `readproc` always allocates memory if it fills in the *environ* or *cmdline* parts of *proc_t*.

freeproc frees all memory allocated for the *proc_t* struct *p*.

The *proc_t* structure is defined in `<proc/readproc.h>`, please look there for a definition of all fields.

RETURN VALUE

readproc returns a pointer to the next *proc_t* or NULL if there are no more processes left.

SEE ALSO

`openproc(3)`, `readproctab(3)`, `/usr/include/proc/readproc.h`, `/proc/#pid/`,

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