

Joint statement from Senator Brouk, Cooney and Assemblymembers Clark, Meeks and Bronson on sanctuary city policies

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Senator Samra Brouk, Assemblywoman Sarah Clark, Assemblymember Demond Meeks, Assemblymember Harry Bronson, Assemblymember Jen Lunsford, and Senator Jeremy Cooney:

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