



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

Bill Perkins

## Wedding of friends and constituents Lawrance Rodrigues and Frederick Bramfield

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Last Friday Senator Perkins attended the wedding of his friends and constituents Lawrance Rodrigues and Frederick Bramfield who live in Harlem. The well attended ceremony was held at Mr. Rodrigues' art gallery, Casa Frela. "This is a great occasion for me," Senator Perkins told the couple, who had waited 25 years for the opportunity to marry. "Sponsoring New York's Marriage Equality Bill, I hoped to give everyone the same benefits under the law. Lawrance and Fred's was the first LGBT wedding I've attended since our bill passed in June, but I'm looking forward to attending many, many more."