

State Senator Kevin Parker Sponsors Legislation To Improve New York Voters' Rights

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(*Brooklyn, New York*)- On Monday, February 6th State Senator Kevin Parker and the Senate Democratic Conference released part of their "Resistance Agenda" aimed at increasing the voting rights of all New Yorkers in the era of Trump-ism and the alt-right movement. The complete legislative package encompasses 9 bills in total, two of which are sponsored by Senator Parker.

The first piece of legislation, Senate Bill S.3029, will prohibit election districts from being split on and off a college or university campus. Once passed, the law would also require that the poll sites for election districts serving the academic institution be on the campus.

Parker also proposed Senate Bill S.3436, the Voter Modernization that provides for automated voter registration of eligible consenting citizens at designated government agencies; permits same day registration on the day of an election, and the ability to cast a vote on the same day as the election. This bill further allows NYS residents to register to vote, and modify their voter registration status online.

"It is imperative that we move towards improving the voting process for the residents of our State by passing legislation that modernizes our electoral process. The proposed legislation will protect voters and save taxpayers by making the process more efficient," said Senator Parker.