

NEW YORK STATE SENATOR Kevin S. Parker

Senator Parker and Senate Majority Stands Up For Survivors and Announces Passage of Child Victims Act

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(Brooklyn, NY) Senator Parker, together with the new Democratic Senate Majority, passed the Child Victims Act (S.2440) and reformed New York State's outdated statute of limitations for child sexual abuse. Senator Parker and the Senate Majority stands with survivors and are proud to give them the opportunity to receive justice. "I applaud Senator Brad Hoylman and our new Senate Democratic Majority for doing what's right and passing the Child Victims Act. New York State can no longer allow victims to be silenced, and increasing the statute of limitations so that they can seek justice and closure for such a horrific experience is commonsense. Fortunately, under the leadership of Majority Leader Stewart-Cousins, this legislation has become a reality in our great state." - Senator Kevin Parker.

The Child Victims Act will raise the criminal statute of limitations for several child sexual abuse crimes to age 28, and raise the civil statute of limitations for causes of action brought by someone seeking redress for physical, psychological or other injury caused by child sexual abuse to age 55. Additionally, this legislation will create a one-year window, starting six months from the effective date of the bill, for past survivors of child sexual abuse to initiate lawsuits against their abusers, and create parity in how regulations impact public and private institutions under these circumstances.

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About Senator Kevin Parker:

Senator Kevin Parker represents Brooklyn's ethnically diverse 21st Senate District comprised of sections of Flatbush, East Flatbush, Midwood, Ditmas Park, Kensington, Windsor Terrace, and Park Slope. A lifelong Brooklyn resident, Senator Parker has the honor of serving his community as the Chairman of the Senate Committee on Energy and Telecommunications, and on the Senate Standing Committees on Finance; Rules; Alcoholism & Substance Abuse; Insurance; and Banks.

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Provides for the timeliness of commencing criminal and civil action for sexual offenses committed against children

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