



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

Michael Gianaris

## Statement from Senate Deputy Leader Michael Gianaris on New York's Legalization of Marijuana

MICHAEL GIANARIS March 31, 2021

| ISSUE: **MARIJUANA, MRTA, CANNABIS, ADULT USE MARIJUANA, CRIMINAL JUSTICE REFORM**



ALBANY – Senate Deputy Leader Michael Gianaris issued the following statement about the Senate and Assembly passage of the Marijuana Regulation and Taxation Act ([S.854-A](#)).

“Our action today begins to correct years of injustice in the name of the war on drugs. This new law will also expunge criminal convictions for actions that will no longer be illegal and fairly address questions of equity, economic opportunity, and justice long-denied. I am proud our State Senate majority was able to achieve what was elusive for so long and am thankful

to my colleagues for their relentless drive to get this done.”

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#### RELATED LEGISLATION

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## 2021-S854A

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- Introduced
- - In Committee Assembly
  - In Committee Senate
- - On Floor Calendar Assembly
  - On Floor Calendar Senate
- - Passed Assembly
  - Passed Senate
- Delivered to Governor
- Signed By Governor
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Enacts the "marihuana regulation and taxation act"; repealer

January 05, 2021

Signed by Governor

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