



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

Kevin S. Parker

## Senate Democrats Advocate to Improve Voting in New York State

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**BROOKLYN, NY (5-1-18)** – Today, the New York State Senate Democratic Conference released a report highlighting the steady decrease in voting across New York State, and simultaneously introduced a comprehensive legislation package encompassing 10 bills to reverse this trend.

One of the proposed laws, Senate Bill S.3409 - Automatic Voter Registration, is sponsored by State Senator Kevin Parker. If enacted, eligible New Yorkers would be automatically registered to vote at most state or local government agencies unless they affirmatively

choose not to do so. “This is not a new problem, but we are leading the charge on increasing voter participation in New York State,” said Senator Parker. “There is no downside to making it easier for people to perform their civic duty, and with the Governor recently re-enfranchising parolees by restoring their right to vote, the Senate Democratic Conference proposals unveiled today builds upon the through comprehensive legislation that will protect voters while improving the electoral experience,” said Senator Parker.

### **About State Senator Kevin Parker**

Senator Parker is the Whip of the Senate Democratic Conference; Member of the Senate Democratic Conference Policy Group; Member of the Senate Select Committee on Technology & Innovation; and Member of the Senate Democratic Minority and Women-Owned Business Task Force (MWBE).

For the 2018-19 Legislative Session, Senator Parker serves on the Senate Standing Committees on Finance; Rules; Higher education; Labor; Insurance, and Banks.

For more information on Senator Parker, please visit [www.nysenate.gov/senators/kevin-s-parker](http://www.nysenate.gov/senators/kevin-s-parker)

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#### RELATED LEGISLATION

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**2017-S3409**

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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 "Modernized voter registration act of New York"

January 23, 2017

In Senate Committee [Education](#)

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Do you support this bill?