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Honorable Stephen M. Sweeney, President
New Jersey Senate
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Honorable Nicholas P. Scutari, Chairman
Senate Judiciary Committee
1514 E. Saint Georges Ave
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Dear President Sweeney and Chairman Scutari:

Now that the election is over and the marijuana legalization ballot question has passed as expected, I am once again sending this correspondence to respectfully request that the following senate bill S2535 be heard at the next Senate Judiciary Committee meeting:

S2535: Provides for certain criminal and civil justice reforms, particularly addressing legal consequences associated with certain marijuana and hashish offenses as well as raising awareness of available expungement relief.

As you know there has been much harm done to people of color in particular, and New Jersey residents in general by not passing a decriminalization bill over the last 2 years plus.

Thanking you in advance for your consideration and cooperation. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at my office at (973) 371-5665.

Sincerely,

Senator Ronald L. Rice
28th Legislative District

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