

# NEW YORK BUDGET DEAL INCREASES PENALTIES FOR ILLEGAL POT SHOPS

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New York State lawmakers recently passed a budget agreement, and included in it are provisions to help crack down on unlicensed cannabis dispensaries.

Patrick J. Hines was quoted in a *Buffalo News* article about the move titled, "New York Budget Deal Increases Penalties for Illegal Pot Shops." In it, he provides an objective and legal perspective as to why the provisions are important to the industry.

[Read the full article here.](#)

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