

MOSA Dissolution Clears Senate

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ALBANY, 03/20/14 – State Senator James L. Seward (R/C/I- Oneonta) today announced senate approval of legislation he sponsors, allowing the dissolution of the Montgomery, Otsego, Schoharie Solid Waste Authority (MOSA). Senator Seward's bill (S.6181) follows a home rule request from the three member counties and the authority.

"MOSA was created following a home-rule request. Now, after a quarter-century, it is appropriate to honor a similar request to dissolve the authority," said Senator Seward. "With the service agreement governing the authority scheduled to expire in April 2014, the time is now to take this step."

Along with formally ending the solid waste authority, the bill also includes a plan for the distribution of the authority's assets and liabilities among the three member counties.

"Each member county has put in a great deal of time and effort planning for the future solid waste disposal needs of their residents. This state legislation will allow them to move forward," Seward concluded.

The bill has been sent to the assembly where companion legislation, A.8406, has been introduced by Assemblyman Bill Magee.