

MOSA's Long Haul Nears End

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ALBANY, **02/10/14** – State Senator James L. Seward (R/C/I- Oneonta) today announced that legislation he sponsors, allowing the dissolution of the Montgomery, Otsego, Schoharie Solid Waste Authority (MOSA), was approved by the senate standing committee on corporations, authorities, and commissions and reported to the floor of the senate.

Senate bill 6181 would allow for the dissolution of the tri-county solid waste authority. The measure 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.

The bill will next be considered by the full senate. Companion legislation, A.8406, has been introduced in the state assembly by Assemblyman Bill Magee.