



## ***LEGISLATIVE UPDATE 1/30/2009***

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**H.3114, Rep. Kirsh**, is a bill that would prohibit wastewater treatment sludge generated outside of this state to be disposed of in this state. The House Environmental Affairs I Subcommittee met Wednesday to discuss this bill and overwhelmingly adjourned debate on the proposal which should kill it for the year. Wastewater treatment sludge is generally disposed of in solid waste landfills; however it can be used by farmers as a fertilizer or additive to a fertilizer.

**H.3006, Rep. Harrison**, is a joint resolution proposing a Constitutional Amendment to authorize the General Assembly, by special or local law, to abolish a Special Purpose District and transfer its assets and liabilities to an assuming service provider. The bill was read a first time and referred to the House Judiciary Committee. The status of the bill has remained unchanged.

SPD's, please continue to contact Members of the House Judiciary Committee and request they oppose H.3006, which provides a Constitutional Amendment to abolish Special Purpose Districts.

**THANK YOU**, to the SPD's that have contacted their legislators!!!

**SPD's are opposed to this legislation for the following reasons:**

1. SPD's are the third form of local government in the State and local governments should not be easily abolished by simple procedures.
2. Citizens of the district should decide the fate of their district because they asked that their district be created.
3. Impact on the bond market that would effect all local governments (Cities, Counties, SPD's).