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Senator Griesheimer's Sewage Modification Bill Signed by Governor

JEFFERSON CITY – Senator John Griesheimer's (R-Washington) bill that modifies several aspects of the state's sewage laws has been signed by the governor and takes affect on Aug. 28. [Senate Bill 791](#) allows the common sewer board of trustees to fill a vacancy on their board if the county doesn't appoint a trustee within 60 days. The bill also sets the procedures for determining rates when large utilities (defined as 8,000 customers or more) acquire smaller utilities (8,000 customers or less) or when financially troubled districts are taken over by other districts.

In addition, the bill allows third class counties to go into negotiations when a city and county cannot agree on terms, and requires water companies and public water supply districts to make water service data available to sewer districts in order to calculate rates for service.

"This bill is going to solve a lot of problems for rural communities," said Sen. Griesheimer. "It took a lot of work and consensus to get all the parties on board with this one, and the governor's signature proves that we did the right thing for these districts and for the Missourians that benefit from them."

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