

Nev. lawmakers vote to create Tahoe sewer authority

A bill that would create the Douglas County Lake Tahoe Sewer Authority is awaiting Gov. Brian Sandoval's signature.

The Legislature has voted to abolish the 64-year-old Douglas County Sewer District No. 1 in favor of the new agency that would have more restrictive powers.

The original entity was formed by the state to ensure the Stateline casinos had a way of getting rid of their sewage.

The district in 2016 was accused by the Douglas County district attorney of violating open meeting and election laws.

The new agency would be governed by a member of each of the three districts it serves as well as two members appointed by Douglas County.

The sewer district had been governed by three board members; two casino executives and a rep from Edgewood Companies.

In addition to the casinos and Edgewood properties, the sewer district has more than 5,000 residential connections on the South Shore.

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