

**NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 451 of 1994**

**324.5302 Construction of part; broad interpretation of powers; prohibited grants or loans; liability for costs; legislative intent.**

Sec. 5302. (1) This part shall be construed liberally to effectuate the legislative intent. All powers granted under this part shall be broadly interpreted to effectuate the intent and purposes of this part and shall not be interpreted as a limitation of powers.

(2) Except as may be authorized by the federal water pollution control act, the fund shall not provide grant assistance to a municipality or provide loans for the local share of projects constructed with grants provided under title II of the federal water pollution control act, chapter 758, 86 Stat. 833, 33 U.S.C. 1281, 1282 to 1293, and 1294 to 1299.

(3) This state is not liable to a municipality, or any other person performing services for the municipality, for costs incurred in developing or submitting an application for assistance under this part.

(4) It is the specific intent of the legislature to minimize paperwork for tier II projects.

**History:** 1994, Act 451, Eff. Mar. 30, 1995.

**Compiler's note:** For transfer of authority, powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities of the Environmental Assistance Division to the Director of the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, see E.R.O. No. 1995-16, compiled at MCL 324.99901 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

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