

**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.**

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

(2) Except as may be authorized by the federal water pollution control act, the fund must 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, 33 USC 1281, 1282 to 1293, and 1294 to 1302f.

(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.

**History:** 1994, Act 451, Eff. Mar. 30, 1995;—Am. Act 132, Imd. Eff. June 30, 2022.

**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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