

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

**324.63403 Enforcement and administration of part; rules; inspection and investigation by department; regulation by local governmental unit; restrictions.**

Sec. 63403. (1) The department shall administer and enforce this part. In addition to other powers granted to it, the department may promulgate rules it considers necessary to carry out its duties under this part.

(2) The department may enter at any reasonable time in or upon a mining area for the purpose of inspecting and investigating conditions relating to mining activities.

(3) Subject to subsections (4) and (5), a local unit of government shall not regulate or control mining or reclamation activities that are subject to this part, including construction, operation, closure, postclosure monitoring, reclamation, and remediation activities, and does not have jurisdiction concerning the issuance of permits for those activities.

(4) A local unit of government may enact, maintain, and enforce ordinances or regulations affecting mining if the ordinances or regulations do not duplicate, contradict, or conflict with this part and are reasonable in accommodating customary mining activities.

(5) Subsections (3) and (4) do not prohibit a local unit of government from conducting water quality monitoring.

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