

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

324.8514 Fertilizer control fund; creation; deposits; money remaining in fund; lapse; expenditures; grants to local government agencies, institutions of higher education, or nonprofit organizations; notice to legislature.

Sec. 8514. (1) The fertilizer control fund is created within the state treasury.

(2) The state treasurer shall receive for deposit in the fund all fees, administrative or civil fines, and payments for the costs of investigations incurred by the department collected under this part. In addition, the state treasurer may receive money or other assets from any source for deposit into the fund. The state treasurer shall direct the investment of the fund. The state treasurer shall credit to the fund interest and earnings from fund investments.

(3) Money in the fund at the close of the fiscal year shall remain in the fund and shall not lapse to the general fund.

(4) The department shall expend money from the fund, upon appropriation, only for 1 or more of the following purposes:

(a) The administration and enforcement of this part.

(b) The development of training programs to ensure the proper use and storage of fertilizer.

(c) For research necessary to ensure the adoption and implementation of practices that optimize nutrient use efficiency, ensure soil fertility, and address environmental concerns with regard to fertilizer use. Until December 31, 2019, not less than 40% of the inspection fees collected with section 8506(1) shall be used for purposes of this subdivision.

(5) The department shall not provide grants with money from the fund to local government agencies, institutions of higher education, or nonprofit organizations unless the department provides notice of the grant to the senate and house appropriations subcommittees and the senate and house fiscal agencies at least 10 days before the grant is issued.

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