## **455B.292** Findings.

The general assembly finds that the proper construction, rehabilitation, operation, and maintenance of modern and efficient wastewater treatment works, other water pollution control works, and drinking water facilities are essential to protecting and improving the state's water quality and the health of its citizens; that protecting and improving water quality is an issue of concern to the citizens of the state; that in addition to protecting and improving the state's water quality, adequate wastewater treatment and water pollution control works and drinking water facilities are essential to economic growth and development; that during the last several years the amount of federal grant money available to states and local governments for assistance in constructing and improving wastewater treatment works and safe drinking water facilities has sharply diminished and will likely continue to diminish; and that it is proper for the state to encourage local governments, individuals, and other entities to undertake water pollution control and drinking water projects through the establishment of a state mechanism to provide loans at the lowest reasonable rates.

88 Acts, ch  $1217,\,\$11;\,97$  Acts, ch  $4,\,\$8;\,2002$  Acts, ch  $1019,\,\$2$  Referred to in  $\$16.131,\,455B.199B,\,456A.17$