

**MICHIGAN FAMILY FARM DEVELOPMENT ACT (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 220 of 1982**

**285.254 Performance of duties, implementation of powers, and selection of programs and projects; principles.**

Sec. 4.

In the performance of its duties, the implementation of its powers, and the selection of specific programs and projects to receive its assistance, the authority shall comply with all of the following principles:

(a) The authority shall not become an owner of agricultural land, agricultural improvements, or depreciable agricultural property, except that the authority may own agricultural land, agricultural improvements, or depreciable agricultural property on a temporary basis if necessary to implement its programs, to protect its investments by means of foreclosure or other means, or to facilitate transfer of agricultural land, agricultural improvements, and depreciable agricultural property for the use of beginning farmers.

(b) The authority shall exercise diligence and care in the selection of projects to receive its assistance and shall apply customary and acceptable business and lending standards in the selection and subsequent implementation of those projects. The authority may delegate primary responsibility for determination and implementation of the projects to an agency of the federal government if that agency assumes an obligation to repay the loan, either directly or by insurance or guarantee.

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