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GEORGII V REGIS.

A.D. 1923.

No. 1561.

An Act to amend the Water Conservation Acts, 1886 to 1915, and for other purposes.

[Assented to, October 31st, 1923.]

BE it Enacted by the Governor of the State of South Australia, with the advice and consent of the Berry follows:

- 1. (1) This Act may be cited as the "Water Conservation Act short titles. Further Amendment Act, 1923."
- (2) The Water Conservation Acts, 1886 to 1915, and this Act may be cited together as the "Water Conservation Acts, 1886 to 1923."
- (3) The Water Conservation Act, 1886, is hereinafter referred to No 392 of 1886. as "the principal Act."
- 2. This Act is incorporated with the other Acts mentioned in Incorporation with other Acts. section 1, and those Acts and this Act shall be read as one Act.
- 3. (1) The Governor may, by proclamation, declare any water Rate may be district or any portion of any water district within which this section declared on acreage basis. shall apply, and may, by proclamation, declare one or more sources of water supply within such water district or portion of a water district to be the principal waterworks within such water district or a portion of a water district.
- (2) Notwithstanding anything contained in section 10 of the principal Act or any Act or law to the contrary, the Governor may, by proclamation, declare any portion of the Tod River Water District constituted under the Tod River Waterworks Act, 1916, to No. 1260 of 1916.

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be a water district within which this section shall apply: Provided that any such proclamation shall cease to apply to any lands within the said Tod River Water District so soon as a rate is declared upon such lands under the provisions of the Waterworks Act, 1882, or any Act incorporated with that Act.

- (3) The Governor may, by proclamation, revoke or vary any proclamation made pursuant to this section.
- (4) After any such proclamation as first mentioned in subsection (1) hereof has been made, the provisions of the Water Conservation Acts, 1886 to 1915, with respect to the making of assessments and the declaring of rates shall, so far as superseded by this section, cease to apply within the water district or portion of a water district in respect of which such proclamation has been made.
- (5) A rate for the purposes of and pursuant to the principal Act may be declared and levied on the ratable property within such water district or portion of a water district on the basis of the acreage of the ratable property.
- (6) Such rate shall not exceed the sum of One Penny and One Halfpenny per acre of the ratable property when the ratable property is distant less than one mile from a principal waterworks within such water district or portion of a water district, and One Penny and One Farthing per acre of the ratable property when the ratable property is distant one mile and less than two miles from such waterworks, and One Penny per acre of the ratable property when the ratable property is distant two miles and less than three miles from such waterworks, and Three Farthings per acre of the ratable property when the ratable property is distant three miles and less than four miles from such waterworks, and One Halfpenny per acre of the ratable property when the ratable property is distant four miles and less than five miles from such waterworks, and One Farthing per acre of the ratable property when the ratable property is distant five miles and not more than six miles from such waterworks: Provided that the minimum amount chargeable by way of rates under this section in respect of any ratable property shall be Ten Shillings.
- (7) No rate shall be declared or levied under this section on any ratable property distant more than six miles from a principal waterworks within a water district or portion of a water district.
- (8) Such rate may be declared and levied in a specified part or parts of such water district or portion of a water district only, and may be declared and levied differentially in specified parts of such water district or portion of a water district.
- (9) Until any rate declared under this section is superseded by a rate subsequently declared, such first-mentioned rate shall continue and be the rate for the time being in force.
- (10) Any rate may be declared and levied under this section by any person authorised under the principal Act to declare and levy rates within

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within such water district or portion of a water district, and payment of any such rate may, with the consent in writing of the Commissioner, be remitted either wholly or in part by such person.

- (11) All the provisions of the Water Conservation Acts, 1886 to 1915, relating to the declaration and giving of notice of rates and the levying and enforcement thereof shall apply, mutatis mutandis, and subject to this section, to all rates declared under this section.
- 4. Any person who, without the written permission of the Com- Penalty for taking missioner first had and obtained, cuts, fells, or removes any trees water reserve. or timber from any land leased by, under the control of, or vested in the Commissioner shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding Five Pounds.

In the name and on behalf of His Majesty, I hereby assent to this Bill

TOM BRIDGES, Governor.