

# BILL

No. 46 of 1921.

An Act to amend The Water Users' Districts Act, 1920.

(Assented to \_\_\_\_\_, 1921.)

**H**IS MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Alberta, enacts as follows:

1. Section 12 of *The Water Users' Districts Act, 1920*, being chapter 16 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1920, is amended as follows:

(a) By inserting after the word "impose" at the end of the thirteenth line the following: "upon the occupiers of the land within the district";

(b) By striking out the word "upon" in the fourteenth line, and substituting the word "of."

2. Section 13 of the said Act is amended—

(a) By inserting after the word "imposed" in the first line the following: "shall constitute a debt due from the person upon whom it is imposed to the managers and";

(b) By striking out all the words after the word "as" in the second line, and substituting the following: "a municipal tax."

3. Section 13a is added to the said Act as follows:

"13a. Any by-laws in regard to maintenance of irrigation ditches may provide for such by allotting for maintenance to each of the persons constituting the water users' association a certain portion or portions of the said ditches, which portion or portions may include crossings of roads or highways and the structures in connection therewith, and it shall be the duty of each such person to properly maintain to the satisfaction of the managers the portion or portions of ditch so allotted to him for maintenance.

"(2) If any person whose duty it is to properly maintain any portion or portions of a ditch as herein provided neglects to properly maintain the same the managers may in writing notify him to have the same put in a proper state of maintenance within one week from the receipt of such notice and if the repairs necessary to ensure such proper state of maintenance are not made and completed within such week the managers may have the said repairs made and pay the cost thereof and the person thus in default

in maintenance shall be liable for the said cost and any expenses in connection therewith occasioned by his default and the same may be collected as a rate and in the same manner as if it were a part of a rate imposed by this Act.

“(3) Where any of the persons constituting a water users’ association wilfully permits damage to be caused to any road or highway either through lack of proper maintenance of the portion or portions of ditches allotted to him for maintenance, or by the careless or improper use of irrigation water, the managers may take whatever steps may be necessary to remedy such damage and prevent a recurrence of the same and may charge the cost of any such steps against such person and collect the same in the manner provided by this Act for the collection of rates.”

4. Section 15 of the said Act is amended by adding thereto the following proviso:

“Provided that the secretary shall be the returning officer in any annual election after the first election and the notice in regard to such election need not set forth the area of the district.”

5. Section 16 of the said Act is amended by adding thereto as subsection 2 the following:

“(2) Every secretary-treasurer shall before entering upon his duties give a bond of an amount satisfactory to the managers for the faithful performance of his duties.”

6. Section 22 of the said Act is struck out.

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