

No. , 1922.

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## A BILL

To provide for the granting of freehold titles to Crown lands within irrigation areas; to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

[CAPTAIN CHAFFEY;— *November, 1922.*]

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**B**E it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

**1.** This Act may be cited as the "Crown Lands Short title. (Irrigation Holdings) Amendment Act, 1922."

*Crown Lands (Irrigation Holdings) Amendment.*

**2.** The Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, is amended as follows:—

(i) Section one hundred and thirty-nine, subsection three: By repealing the subsection and substituting the following:—

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(3) The Minister shall cause a notification to be published in the Gazette and in a local newspaper that such farms or blocks are available for disposal by way of—

(i) purchase; or 10

(ii) lease in perpetuity;

and shall give particulars of—

(a) the areas, capital values, rate of interest to be charged in respect of balance of purchase money, rents in the case of lands made available for leasing in perpetuity, the values of improvements to be effected, and the values of any improvements on the farms or blocks which are the property of the Crown other than improvements effected or provided by the Commission in pursuance of the Irrigation Act, 1912; 15

(b) the special conditions as to improvements, cultivation, preservation or planting of timber, and such other matters as require to be regulated in the public interest which shall be conditions attaching to the purchase or lease of any such farm or block, 25 30

and specifying a date on and after which such farms or blocks may be applied for.

(ii) Section 139A: By inserting after the section new section 139B as follows:—

139B. The title to an irrigation farm purchase shall commence from the date of application therefor if valid, and every such purchase before grant shall be subject to the following conditions in addition to any special conditions notified in pursuance of subsection three of section one hundred and thirty-nine of this Act: 35 40

Act:

5 Act: the balance of the purchase price after  
 payment of deposit shall be paid by sixty equal  
 half-yearly consecutive instalments, including  
 principal and interest, at such rate as may be  
 10 specified in the said notification; the first of  
 such instalments shall be paid on or before the  
 thirtieth day of June or thirty-first day of  
 December next following the date of notification  
 of granting of the application: Provided that  
 15 the purchaser may pay the whole or any  
 number of such instalments at any time.  
 Subject to the provisions of section one hundred  
 and forty-two of this Act a Crown grant as  
 prescribed shall be issued when all conditions  
 attaching to the purchase have been performed  
 and payment of the whole of the said money  
 and interest has been made.

(iii) Section one hundred and forty-two: By adding  
 the following additional paragraphs:—

20 With respect to farms granted after the  
 passing of the Crown Lands (Irrigation  
 Holdings) Amendment Act, 1922, the following  
 conditions shall apply:—

25 The holder of an irrigation farm purchase  
 shall effect improvements to the satisfaction of  
 the Commission by the expenditure of money  
 not loaned by it, and a condition of residence  
 shall attach until improvements of the required  
 30 value shall have been effected; such improve-  
 ments shall be of such value in the opinion of  
 the Commission as may be specified in the  
 Gazette notification referred to in subsection  
 three of section one hundred and thirty-nine.

25 In any case where the Commission is satis-  
 fied the circumstances so warrant, it may  
 waive or suspend such conditions, with or  
 without conditions. Where any farm is held  
 jointly, the residence condition may, with the  
 consent of the Commission, be performed by  
 40 any one or more of the joint holders.

(iv)

*Crown Lands (Irrigation Holdings) Amendment.*

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- (iv) Section one hundred and forty-four: By adding new subsection four as follows:—
- (4) This section shall not apply to holdings the fee-simple of which may be acquired as provided for in this Act. 5
- (v) Section one hundred and forty-seven:—
- By omitting the word “lease” where firstly and secondly occurring and inserting in lieu the words “purchase or lease of land”; 10
- by inserting before the word “lease” where thirdly occurring the words “purchase or”;  
by omitting the word “leased.”
- (vi) Section two hundred and seventy-three:— 15
- Subsection two:—
- By omitting the word “lease” and substituting the word “holding”;  
by omitting the word “lessee” and substituting the word “holder.” 20
- Subsection five: By omitting the word “lease” wherever occurring and substituting the word “holding.”
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