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No. , 1929.

A BILL

To enlarge the powers of the Grafton and South Grafton Water Board in certain respects; to validate certain payments and matters; to amend the Grafton and South Grafton Water Supply Administration Act, 1915; and for purposes connected therewith.

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 "Grafton and South Short title. Grafton Water Supply Administration (Amendment) Act, 1929," and shall be read and construed with the Grafton and South Grafton Water Supply Administration Act, 1915, in this Act referred to as the Principal Act. $_{6307}$ —(2) **2.** Grafton and South Grafton Water Supply Administration (Amendment).

- Amendment of Act No. 38, 1915. 2. (1) The Principal Act is amended as follows :---(a) by omitting from section two the definition of Sec. 2. the term "Prescribed" and by inserting in (Definitions.) lieu thereof the following new definition :---"Prescribed" means prescribed by this Act. or by regulations made thereunder or by ordinances made under the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended by subsequent Acts. (b) by inserting at the end of section eight the Sec. 8. words "The board may vote from its funds an (Chairman.) allowance to the chairman not exceeding fifty pounds per annum"; (c) by omitting from subsection three of section sec. 13. thirteen the words "Country Towns Water (Control of and Sewerage Acts, 1880-1905" and by ^{works.)} inserting in lieu thereof the words "Local Government Act, 1919"; (d) (i) by omitting from section fourteen the Sec. 14. words "Country Towns Water and Sewer- (Application age Acts, 1880-1905, and so much of the of Acts.) Local Government Act, 1906, as amends the said Acts" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "Local Government Act, 1919, as amended by subsequent Acts"; (ii) by omitting from the same section the words "in the said Acts" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "in the said Act as so amended "; (iii) by omitting from the same section the words and figures "Part I of the Act 57 Vic. No. 19" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "Part XIV of the Local Government Act, 1919, as so amended "; (e) by inserting at the end of section fourteen the following new subsection :---(2) Without limiting the generality of the foregoing provisions of this section the board shall have and shall be deemed always to have had
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had power with the consent of the Minister for Public Works to carry out alterations and extensions to the works under its centrol, and the board may with the consent of the Governor borrow such sums as may be required for any purposes of the board, and may give such security over the undertaking and revenues of the board as the Governor may approve, but no such security shall take or be given any priority over the charge in favour of the Crown in respect of moneys expended on the works and interest remaining unpaid.

(2) Any regulation or by-law made under the suing. country Towns Water and Sewerage Acts, 1880-1905, in force at the commencement of this Act shall be deemed to continue in force for the purposes of the prosecution for any breach thereof and for other purposes until repealed or replaced by ordinance made under the Local Government Act, 1919, or by regulation made under the Grafton and South Grafton Water Supply Administration Act, 1915, as amended by this Act.

3. (1) Any rate or charge heretofore made or imposed Validations. by the board otherwise valid shall not be deemed invalid merely on the ground that it may have been expressed to have been made or imposed pursuant to the Local Government Act, 1919.

(2) Any payment by the board to its chairman by way of allowance before the commencement of this Act is hereby validated. 3-

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