

Supplementary Order Paper

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, the 13th Day of October 1960

PUBLIC WORKS AMENDMENT BILL

Hon. Mr WATT, in Committee, to move the following amendments:

Clause 3: To insert, after the definition of the term "irrigation district", the following definition:

"Water quota" means the quantity of water determined by Order in Council as the irrigation requirement for a normal irrigation season:

Clause 5: To omit paragraphs (a), (b), and (c), and substitute the following paragraphs:

- (a) The irrigation charge based on supply of half the water quota which will be payable for every acre of land in the proposed irrigation district commanded by supply points, including any reductions during the first ten irrigation seasons of supply:
- (b) The charge to be payable for such water as may be supplied in excess of half the proposed water quota but not in excess of the total proposed water quota:
- (c) The proposed water quota and the general terms and conditions of supply.

Clause 11: To omit paragraphs (b), (c), and (d), and substitute the following paragraphs:

- (b) Specify the irrigation charge based on supply of half the water quota which has been notified under section 5 of this Act and is to be payable on every acre of land in the irrigation district commanded by supply points, including any reductions during the first ten irrigation seasons of supply:
- (c) Specify the charge for such water as may be supplied in excess of half the water quota but not in excess of the total water quota:
- (d) Specify the water quota and the terms and conditions of supply.

Clause 12: To insert in line 16 on page 5, after the words "irrigation charge", the words "based on the supply of half the water quota".

Clauses 15 and 16: To omit these clauses, and substitute the following clauses:

15. Water entitlement—From time to time when water is made fully available to any land in the irrigation district, the occupier of that land shall, subject to the provisions of sections 16 and 17 of this Act, be entitled to receive from appropriate supply points at such rate of flow and for such period as may from time to time be determined by the Minister the water quota in the irrigation season for each acre of land commanded by supply points and not exempted under section 13 of this Act until the water supply works are at the discretion of the Minister abandoned, discontinued, or disposed of by the Minister.

16. Extra water—(1) Any water in excess of half the water quota, but not exceeding the total water quota, that may be supplied by the Minister in any irrigation season at the request of the occupier of any land in an irrigation district shall be paid for by the occupier at the rate per acre-foot from time to time specified by Order in Council in accordance with section 11 of this Act.

(2) Any water in excess of the water quota that may be supplied by the Minister at his discretion in any irrigation season at the request of the occupier of any land in an irrigation district shall be paid for by the occupier at such rate as the Minister may specify.

(3) Every amount payable by the occupier in accordance with this section shall be recoverable as a debt due to the Crown.
