No. 8 of 1979


[Assented to 1st March, 1979]

BE IT ENACTED by the Governor of the State of South Australia, with the advice and consent of the Parliament thereof, as follows:

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the “Eight Mile Creek Settlement (Drainage Maintenance) Act Amendment Act, 1979”.

(2) The Eight Mile Creek Settlement (Drainage Maintenance) Act, 1959-1977, is hereinafter referred to as “the principal Act”.

(3) The principal Act, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the “Eight Mile Creek Settlement (Drainage Maintenance) Act, 1959-1979”.

2. Section 17 of the principal Act is amended—

(a) by inserting before paragraph (a) of subsection (1) the following paragraph:—

(aa) to establish a board to advise the Minister on the administration of this Act, to provide for the election or appointment of members of the board, and to prescribe the powers, duties, functions and procedure of the board; ;

(b) by inserting in paragraph (b) of subsection (1) after the passage “the premises served by any drains or drainage works” the passage “are adequately fenced and”;

(c) by striking out paragraph (ba) of subsection (1) and inserting in lieu thereof the following paragraphs:—

(ba) to provide for the impounding of any stock unlawfully in or on any drains or drainage works, and for the fixing and recovery of impounding fees;
(bb) for regulating the manner and circumstances in which persons may construct any private drain or drainage works that may in any way affect the operation of the drains and drainage works of the Minister, and prohibiting persons other than authorized persons from constructing any such private drain or drainage works;

and

(d) by inserting after paragraph (c) of subsection (1) the following paragraphs:

(ca) to provide for the removal of obstructions from drains or drainage works, and for the alteration, removal or demolition of any private drain or drainage works constructed by any person in contravention of the regulations;

(cb) to empower the Minister to cause such work to be done on any land in the area as may be necessary to ensure compliance with the regulations, and to provide for the recovery of the cost of any such work;

(cc) to provide for the granting by the Minister, conditionally or unconditionally, of exemptions from any provision of the regulations;

(cd) to provide for the fixing and recovery of fees in respect of any application made under the regulations.

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

K. D. SEAMAN, Governor