WESTERN AUSTRALIA GRANT (WATER SUPPLY).

No. 52 of 1948.

An Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum for the purpose of making a Grant to the State of Western Australia for the purpose of Water Supply Development.

[Assented to 25th November, 1948.]

⊋E it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, the Senate, and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, for the purpose of appropriating the grant originated in the House of Representatives, as follows:-

- 1. This Act may be cited as the Western Australia Grant (Water Short title, Supply) Act 1948.
- 2. This Act shall come into operation on the day on which it Commencement. receives the Royal Assent.
 - 3. In this Act, unless the contrary intention appears—

Definitions

- "the scheme" means the Agricultural Areas, Great Southern Towns, and Goldfields Water Supply Scheme referred to in the State Act;
- "the State" means the State of Western Australia;
- "the State Act" means the Act of the State known as the Agricultural Areas, Great Southern Towns, and Goldfields Water Supply Act, 1947.
- 4. Subject to this Act, there shall be payable out of the Con-Appropriation solidated Revenue Fund, which is hereby appropriated accordingly, exceeding the amounts required to make payments in accordance with this £2,150,000. Act, but not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of Two million one hundred and fifty thousand pounds, for the purpose of financial assistance to the State.
- 5. Each payment to the State under this Act shall be of such Basis of amount, and shall be payable at such time, as the Treasurer deter- payments. mines but no payment shall be made of such an amount that the aggregate of the amounts of that payment and of the payments

previously made would exceed one-half of the sum which the Auditor-General for the State certifies has been expended by the State upon so much of the scheme as comprises—

- (a) reticulating water for towns, stock and domestic purposes to certain of the Mixed Farming (Cereal and Sheep) Districts of the State situate within the area described in the Schedule to the State Act, and to towns along the Great Southern Railway of the State from and including Beverley to and including Katanning; and
- (b) increasing the supply to the Eastern Goldfields Areas of the State, but not including alterations of the Mundaring Weir or the Wellington Dam.

Questions to be decided by Treasurer.

6. Any questions arising as to the amount of any payment proposed to be made under this Act or as to the time of payment of any such amount, shall be determined by the Treasurer and his decision shall be final.