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**IRRIGATION CORPORATIONS (ENVIRONMENTAL  
ASSESSMENT) AMENDMENT BILL 1994**

NEW SOUTH WALES



**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

**(This Explanatory Note relates to this Bill as introduced into Parliament)**

The object of this Bill is to amend the Irrigation Corporations Act 1994 to apply the provisions of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 dealing with the environmental assessment of activities to the granting of irrigation corporation water management works licences under the Act. Currently, the Act provides that those provisions do not apply to the granting of the first irrigation corporation water management works licences.

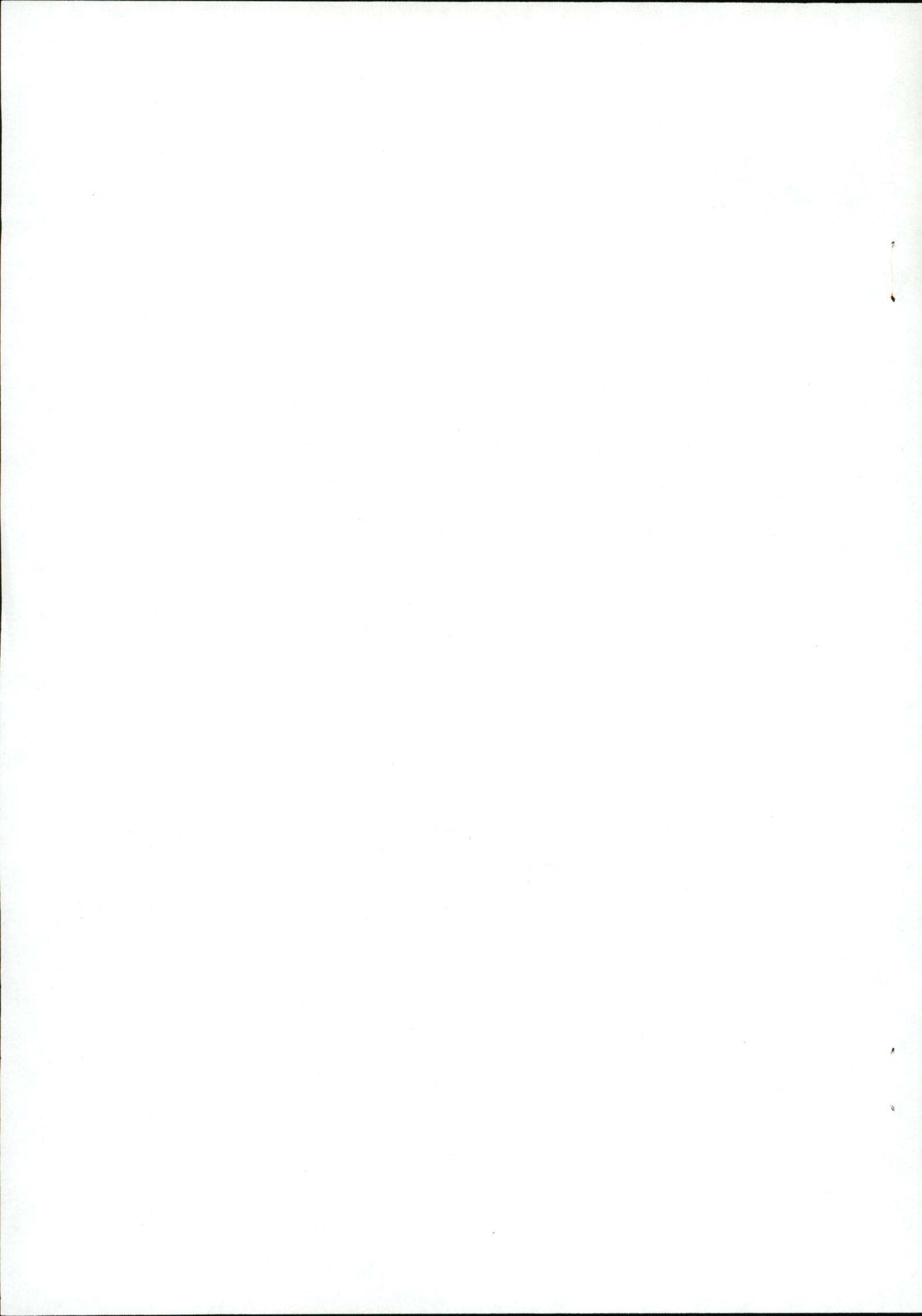
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**Clause 1** states the short title of the proposed Act.

**Clause 2** provides for the commencement of the proposed Act on the date of assent or on the date that the provision of the Irrigation Corporations Act 1994 allowing the granting of irrigation corporation water management works licences commences, whichever is the later.

**Clause 3** amends the Irrigation Corporations Act 1994 in the manner outlined above.

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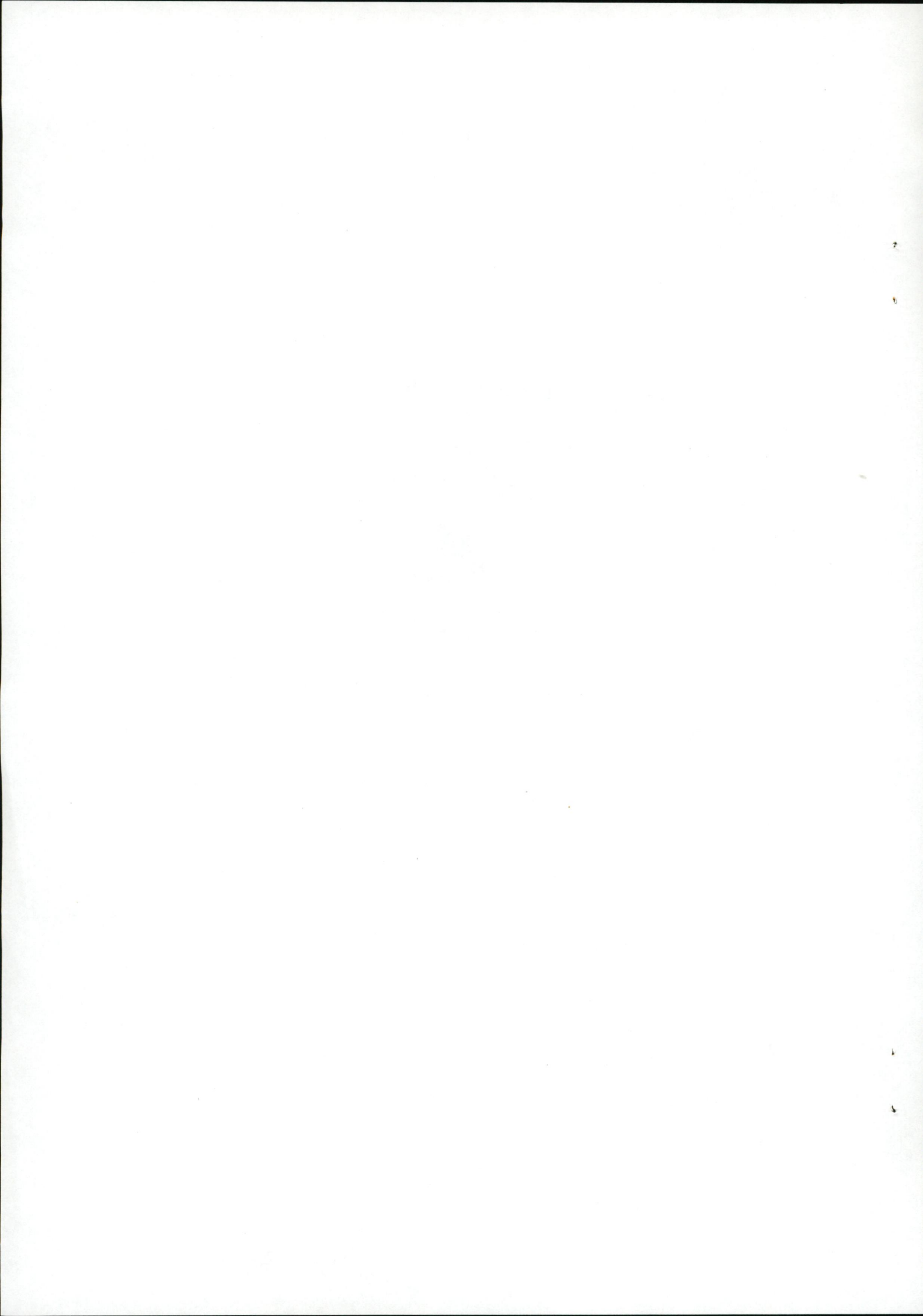
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**A BILL FOR**

An Act to amend the Irrigation Corporations Act 1994 to apply certain provisions of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 to the issue of irrigation corporation water management works licences.

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Irrigation Corporations (Environmental Assessment) Amendment 1994

**The Legislature of New South Wales enacts:**

**Short title**

1. This Act may be cited as the Irrigation Corporations (Environmental Assessment) Amendment Act 1994.

5 **Commencement**

2. This Act commences on:

- (a) the date of assent; or
- (b) the commencement of section 47 (1) of the Irrigation Corporations Act 1994,

10 whichever is the later.

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3. The Irrigation Corporations Act 1994 is amended by omitting section 47 (3) and by inserting instead the following subsections:

15 (3) The provisions of Part 5 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 apply to the granting of an irrigation corporation licence.

(4) In the application of those provisions to the granting of an irrigation corporation licence:

20 (a) an activity (within the meaning of Part 5 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979) authorised by the licence is taken to be an activity that is likely to significantly affect the environment; and

(b) the Ministerial Corporation is taken to be the determining authority.

25 (5) To avoid doubt, it is declared that the provisions of Part 6 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 extend to matters arising under Part 5 of that Act, as applied in accordance with this section.

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(6) This section is not intended to affect whatever application the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 has, apart from this section, in relation to the granting of an irrigation corporation licence.

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