

Numbered 18, Seventy-second Congress, first session, the amounts specified therein, representing interest at 4¾ per centum on certain drafts drawn on the Secretary of State by the American Embassies in Russia and Turkey and transfers which the Embassy in Turkey undertook to make by cable communications to the Secretary of State during the period from 1915 to 1920, payment of which was deferred, and amounting to a total sum of \$44,403.15: *Provided*, That no payment hereunder shall be made by the Secretary of the Treasury, except at the direction of the Secretary of State: *Provided further*, That full authority is hereby vested in the Secretary of State to determine, in his discretion, whether payment in whole or in part should be made, withheld, or deferred.

Approved, June 24, 1936.

*Provisos.*  
Approval by Secretary of State.

Further authority of Secretary.

[CHAPTER 742.]

AN ACT

For the relief of the Bridgeport Irrigation District.

June 24, 1936.  
[S. 4719.]  
[Public, No. 772.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with the Bridgeport Irrigation District, North Platte reclamation project, by which (a) the United States, in consideration of \$23,286 heretofore paid under the contract of June 14, 1915, between the United States and the district, shall grant to the district a permanent right to the use of water from the North Platte Federal reclamation project under the Act of June 17, 1902 (32 Stat. 388), as amended and supplemented, which permanent water right shall entitle the district to divert from the North Platte River a quantity of water equal to three-tenths part of the quantity of water for which provision is made in article 1 of said contract of June 14, 1915, such total quantity of water for diversion by the district to be delivered by the United States under a schedule of delivery reduced in accordance with the provisions of this Act; (b) the district shall agree to pay the United States the amount of \$5,628.55; the operation and maintenance charges delinquent under said contract of June 14, 1915, for the years 1926 to 1935, both inclusive, upon the execution of said contract herein authorized; (c) the Secretary shall agree, upon the execution of said contract and its confirmation by the State courts, to cancel the judgment entered on July 30, 1929, against the district and in favor of the United States; (d) the district shall agree to pay to the United States in advance of the delivery of water under said contract one one-hundredth part of such amounts as shall be fixed by the Secretary as operation and maintenance charges in connection with the irrigation works from which said water supply is made available by the United States, such charges to be payable for the year 1936 and thereafter with interest from the due date at the rate of 6 per centum per annum if not paid when due; (e) the Secretary shall be authorized to refuse the delivery of water under said contract to the district at any time when any installment in whole or in part (including any interest due thereon) of operation and maintenance charges shall not have been paid at the date provided in subdivision (d) hereof and shall remain unpaid at the date delivery of water is requested under said contract; and (f) the contract of June 14, 1915, shall otherwise remain in full force and effect.

Bridgeport Irrigation District.  
Contract with, for granting permanent water right, authorized.  
Terms of agreement.

Vol. 32, p. 388; Vol. 34, p. 259.  
U. S. C., p. 1862.  
Quantity.

Delinquent operation, etc., charges.

Cancellation of judgment.

Advance payment of operation, etc., charges.

Refusal to deliver water upon nonpayment of installment, authorized.

Force of existing contract.

Approved, June 24, 1936.