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Super-  
visors.

16. Each supervisor, two thousand four hundred dollars per annum and mileage of ten cents per mile for each mile actually traveled in going to and from their residence to the county seat or in the performance of the duties required of them by law or by virtue of their office; provided, that in attending sessions of the board only four mileages shall be allowed for each month and that the total mileage allowed shall not exceed five hundred dollars in any one calendar year; provided, that nothing in this subdivision shall be deemed to affect the compensation or mileage of any incumbent supervisor, but said incumbent shall be paid such compensation and allowed such mileage as is now provided and allowed by law.

Jurors.

17. The fees of grand jurors and trial jurors in the superior courts of said counties of the fourth class, in civil and criminal cases shall be three dollars, in lawful money of the United States, for each day's attendance, and mileage to be computed at the rate of fifteen cents per mile for each mile necessarily traveled in attending court, in going only.

In criminal cases such fees and mileage of said trial jurors in the superior court shall be paid by the treasurer of the county out of the general fund of said county upon warrants drawn by the county auditor upon the written order of the judge of the court in which said juror was in attendance, and the treasurer of said county shall pay said warrants.

The board of supervisors of said county is hereby directed to make suitable appropriation for the payment of the fees herein provided for.

SEC. 2. The provisions of this act shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

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## CHAPTER 671.

*An act to provide for the incorporation and organization and management of municipal water districts.*

[Approved May 1, 1911.]

*The people of the State of California, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

Municipal  
water  
district.

SECTION 1. A municipal water district may be organized and incorporated and managed as herein expressly provided and may exercise the powers herein expressly granted or necessarily implied.

People of  
county  
may  
organize.

SEC. 2. The people of any county or portion of a county, whether such portion includes unincorporated territory or not, in the state of California, may organize a municipal water district under the provisions of this act by proceeding as herein provided.

SEC. 3. A petition shall be presented at a regular meeting

of the board of supervisors of the county in which the proposed water district is located, signed by at least twenty-five per centum (25%) of the freeholders, owners of real property, within the boundaries of the proposed municipal water district, which petition shall set forth and particularly describe the proposed boundaries of such water district, and shall pray that the same be incorporated under the provisions of this act, and such petition shall be published for at least two weeks before the time at which the same is to be presented, in some newspaper printed and published in such county or counties, together with a notice stating the time of the meeting at which same will be presented.

Petition to supervisors.

When such petition is presented the board of supervisors shall give notice of an election to be held in said proposed water district for the purpose of determining whether or not same shall be incorporated. Such notice shall particularly describe the boundaries so established and shall state the proposed name of the proposed incorporation (which name shall contain the words "..... municipal water district") and this notice shall be published at least four weeks prior to such election in a newspaper printed and published within the boundaries named and the said notice shall be posted in two places in each precinct within such boundaries.

Notice of election.

At such election the proposition to be submitted shall be: "Shall the proposition to organize ..... municipal water district under (naming the chapter containing this act) of the acts of the thirty-ninth session of the California legislature be adopted?" and the election thereupon shall be conducted, the vote canvassed and the result declared in the same manner as provided by law in respect to other county elections. Within four days after such election the vote shall be canvassed by the board of supervisors. If a majority of the votes cast at such election shall be in favor of organizing such municipal water district the county clerk shall immediately transmit to the secretary of state and to the county recorder each a certificate stating that such proposition was adopted. In case less than a majority of the votes cast are in favor of said proposition the organization fails but without prejudice to renewing proceedings at any time in the future.

Proposition submitted.

SEC. 4. At an election to be held within such water district under the provisions of this act and the laws governing county elections not inconsistent herewith, the municipal water district thus organized shall proceed within ninety days after its formation, to the election of a board of directors consisting of five members. Two of these members determined by lot among themselves shall hold office for two years and three of them for four years. Thereafter at each biennial water district election either two or three directors, as the case may be, shall be elected for a term of four years.

Elections.

The election of directors of such municipal water district shall be in every second year after its organization, on the fourth Saturday in March and shall be known as the general water district election. A second election shall be held, when necessary, as hereinafter provided, on the third Saturday

after such general election, and shall be known as the second general water district election. All other elections which may be held by authority of this act, or of the general laws, shall be known as special water district elections.

Nomina-  
tions.

SEC. 5. (1) The mode of nomination and election of all elective officers of such water district to be voted for at any water district election shall be as follows and not otherwise:

(2) The name of a candidate shall be printed upon the ballot when a petition of nomination shall have been filed in his behalf in the manner and form and under the conditions hereinafter set forth.

Petition.

(3) The petition of nomination shall consist of not less than twenty-five individual certificates, which shall read substantially as follows:

PETITION OF NOMINATION.

Individual certificate.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA }  
COUNTY OF..... } SS.

Prec. No.....

I, the undersigned, certify that I do hereby join in a petition for the nomination of ..... whose residence is at No. .... street, for the office of ..... of the ..... municipal water district to be voted for at the water district election to be held in the ..... municipal water district on the ..... day of ..... 19...., and I further certify that I am a qualified elector and am not at this time a signer of any other petition nominating any other candidate for the above named office, or, in case there are several places to be filled in the above named office, that I have not signed more petitions than there are places to be filled in the above named office; that my residence is at No. ....street....., and that my occupation is .....

(Signed).....

STATE OF CALIFORNIA }  
COUNTY OF ..... } SS.

..... being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is the person who signed the foregoing certificate and that the statements therein are true and correct.

(Signed).....

Subscribed and sworn to before me this.....day of ..... 19....

Notary Public or Verification Deputy.

The petition of nomination of which this certificate forms a part shall, if found insufficient, be returned to..... at No. ....street, ....., California.

(4) It shall be the duty of the county clerk to furnish upon application a reasonable number of forms of individual certificates of the above character.

County clerk to furnish blanks.

(5) Each certificate must be a separate paper. All certificates must be of uniform size as determined by the county clerk. Each certificate must contain the name of one signer thereto and no more. Each certificate shall contain the name of one candidate and no more. Each signer must be a qualified elector, must not at the time of signing a certificate have his name signed to any other certificate for any other candidate for the same office, nor, in case there are several places to be filled in the same office, signed to more certificates for candidates for that office than there are places to be filled in such office. In case an elector has signed two or more conflicting certificates, all such certificates shall be rejected. Each signer must verify his certificate and make oath that the same is true, before a notary public or a verification deputy, as provided for in this section. Each certificate shall further contain the name and address of the person to whom the petition is to be returned in case said petition is found insufficient.

Each certificate separate.

(6) Certification deputies, under this section, must be qualified electors of such municipal water district and shall be appointed by the county clerk or clerks upon application in writing, signed by not less than five qualified electors of such municipal water district. The application shall set forth that the signers thereto desire to procure the necessary signatures of electors for the nomination of candidates for municipal office at an election therein specified, and that the applicants desire the person or persons whose names and addresses are given, appointed as verification deputies, who shall upon appointment be authorized and empowered to take the oath of verification of the signers of petitions of nomination. Such verification deputies need not use a seal, and shall not have power to take oaths for any other purposes whatsoever and their appointments shall continue only until all petitions of nomination, under this section, shall have been filed by the county clerk.

Certification deputies.

(7) A petition of nomination, consisting of not less than twenty-five individual certificates for any one candidate, may be presented to the county clerk not earlier than forty-five days, nor later than thirty days before the election. The county clerk shall endorse thereon the date upon which the petition was presented to him.

Petition presented to county clerk.

(8) When a petition of nomination is presented for filing to the county clerk, he shall forthwith examine the same, and ascertain whether or not it conforms to the provisions of this section. If found not to conform thereto, he shall then and there in writing designate on said petition the defect or omission or reason why such petition cannot be filed, and shall return the petition to the person named as the person to whom the same may be returned in accordance with this section. The petition may then be amended and again presented to the clerk as in the first instance. The clerk shall forthwith proceed to examine the petition as hereinbefore provided. If necessary, the board of supervisors shall provide extra

Examination of petition.

help to enable the clerk to perform satisfactorily and promptly the duties imposed by this section.

**Signer may withdraw name.** (9) Any signer to a petition of nomination and certificate, may withdraw his name from the same by filing with the county clerk a verified revocation of his signature before the filing of the petition by the clerk, and not otherwise. He shall then be at liberty to sign a petition for another candidate for the same office.

**Candidate may withdraw name.** (10) Any person whose name has been presented under this section as a candidate may, not later than twenty-five days before the day of election, cause his name to be withdrawn from nomination by filing with the county clerk a request therefor in writing, and no name so withdrawn shall be printed upon the ballot. If upon such withdrawal the number of candidates remaining does not exceed the number to be elected, then other nominations may be made by filing petitions therefor not later than twenty days prior to such election.

**Petition filed.** (11) If either the original or amended petition of nomination be found sufficiently signed as hereinbefore provided, the clerk shall file the same twenty-five days before the date of the election. When a petition of nomination shall have been filed by the clerk it shall not be withdrawn nor added to and no signature shall be revoked thereafter.

**Petition preserved two years.** (12) The county clerk shall preserve in his office for a period of two years, all petitions of nomination and all certificates belonging thereto, filed under this section.

**Certified list of candidates.** (13) Immediately after such petitions are filed, the clerk shall enter the names of the candidates in a list, with the offices to be filled, and shall not later than twenty days before the election certify such list as being the list of candidates nominated as required by the provisions of this act, and the board of supervisors shall cause said certified list of names and the offices to be filled, designating whether for a full term or unexpired term, to be published in the proclamation calling the election at least ten successive days before the election in not more than four newspapers of general circulation published in the county in which such municipal water district is located. Said proclamation shall conform in all respects to the general state law governing the conduct of municipal elections now or hereafter in force, except as above required.

**Ballots.** (14) The county clerk shall cause the ballots to be printed and bound and numbered as provided by state law except as otherwise required in this act. The ballots shall contain the list of names and the respective offices as published in the proclamation and shall be in substantially the following form:

GENERAL (OR SPECIAL) DISTRICT ELECTION,  
 .....municipal water district  
 (inserting date thereof)

*Instructions to voters:* To vote, stamp or write a cross (X) opposite the name of the candidate for whom you desire to vote. All marks otherwise made are forbidden. All dis-

tinguishing marks are forbidden and make the ballot void. If you wrongly mark, tear or deface this ballot, return it to the inspector of election and obtain another.

(15) All ballots printed shall be precisely on the same size, quality, tint of paper, kind of type, and color of ink, so that without the number it would be impossible to distinguish one ballot from another; and the name of all candidates printed upon the ballot shall be in type of the same size and style. A column may be provided on the right hand side for questions to be voted upon at municipal water district elections, as provided for under this act. The names of the candidates for each office shall be arranged in alphabetical order, and nothing on the ballot shall be indicative of the source of the candidacy or of the support of any candidate.

All ballots of same size, etc.

(16) The name of no candidate who has been duly and regularly nominated, and who has not withdrawn his name as herein provided, shall be omitted from the ballot.

No name to be omitted.

(17) The offices to be filled shall be arranged in separate columns in the following order:

Order of offices.

“For director (if any) vote for five.”

“For \_\_\_\_\_ (if any) vote for one.”

“For \_\_\_\_\_ (if any) vote for (giving number).”

(18) Half-inch square shall be provided at the right of the name of each candidate wherein to mark the cross.

(19) Half-inch spaces shall be left below the printed names of candidates for each office equal in number to the number to be voted for, wherein the voter may write the name of any person or persons for whom he may wish to vote.

(20) The county clerk shall cause to be printed sample ballots identical with the ballot to be used at the election and shall furnish copies of the same on application to registered voters at his office at least five days before the date fixed for such election, and shall mail one such ballot to each voter entitled to vote at such election, so that all of said sample ballots shall have been mailed at least three whole days before said election.

Sample ballots.

(21) In case there is but one person to be elected to an office, the candidate receiving a majority of the votes cast for all the candidates for that office shall be declared elected; in case there are two or more persons to be elected to an office, as that of director, then those candidates equal in number to the number to be elected, who receive the highest number of votes for such office shall be declared elected; provided, however, that no person shall be declared elected to any office at such first election unless the number of votes received by him shall be greater than one-half the number of ballots cast at such election.

Votes necessary to elect.

(22) If at any election held as above provided there be any office to which the required number of persons was not elected, then as to such office the said first election shall be considered to have been a primary election for the nomination of candidates, and a second election shall be held to fill said office. The candidates not elected at such first election, equal in number to twice the number to be elected to any given office, or less if so

Second election.

there be, who receive the highest number of votes for the respective offices at such first election, shall be the only candidates at such second election; provided, that if there be any person who, under the provisions of this subdivision, would have been entitled to become a candidate for any office except for the fact that some other candidate received an equal number of votes therefor, then all such persons receiving such equal number of votes shall likewise become candidates for such office.

The candidates equal in number to the persons to be elected who shall receive the highest number of votes at such second election shall be declared elected to such office.

(23) The said second election, if necessary to be held, shall be held three weeks after the first election.

(24) All the provisions and conditions above set forth as to the conduct of an election, so far as they may be applicable, shall govern the second election, except that notice of election need be published twice only; and provided, also, that the same precincts and polling places shall, if possible, be used.

(25) If a person elected fails to qualify, the office shall be filled as if there were a vacancy in such office, as hereinafter provided.

(26) No informality in conducting municipal elections shall invalidate the same, if they have been conducted fairly and in substantial conformity to the requirements of this act.

Provi-  
sions of  
municipal  
election to  
govern.

SEC. 6. The provisions of the law relating to the qualifications of electors, the manner of voting, the duties of election officers, the canvassing of returns, and all other particulars in respect to the management of municipal elections so far as they may be applicable, shall govern all water district elections; provided that the boards of supervisors shall canvass the returns of the first election, and that thereafter the board of directors shall meet as a canvassing board, and duly canvass the returns within four days after any water district election.

Officer  
subject to  
recall.

SEC. 7. Every incumbent of an elective office, whether elected by popular vote or appointed to fill a vacancy, is subject to recall by the voters of any municipal water district organized under the provisions of this act, in accordance with the recall provisions of the general laws of the state with reference to municipal corporations.

Board of  
directors.

SEC. 8. The board of directors shall be the governing body of such municipal water district. It shall hold its first meeting on the third Monday after its election, it shall choose one of its members president, and shall thereupon provide for the time and place of holding its meetings and the manner in which its special meetings may be called. All legislative sessions of the board of directors whether regular or special shall be open to the public. A majority of the board of directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The board of directors shall establish rules for its proceedings.

To act by  
ordinance.

SEC. 9. The board of directors shall act only by ordinance or resolution. The ayes and noes shall be taken upon the passage of all ordinances or resolutions and entered upon



the journal of the proceedings of the board of directors. No ordinance or resolution shall be passed or become effective without the affirmative votes of at least three members of the board. The enacting clause of all ordinances passed by the board shall be in these words: "Be it ordained by the board of directors of . . . . . municipal water district as follows": All resolutions and ordinances shall be signed by the president of the board of directors and attested by the secretary.

SEC. 10. The board of directors shall at its first meeting or as soon thereafter as practicable, elect by majority vote, three commissioners who shall constitute the commissioners of the named water district but no director shall be eligible to appointment to such commission. The said commissioners shall have the power of making and entering into all contracts, to appoint a secretary who may be a member of the commission, and such other assistants and employees as may be necessary for the exercise of the powers of the district, to fix their compensation, prescribe their duties and remove any appointee at pleasure, and to generally manage its affairs subject to such restrictions as the board of directors may impose. The commissioners shall receive such compensation as the board of directors shall determine and shall serve during its pleasure. Vacancies in the board of commissioners shall be filled by the board of directors. The secretary of the commission shall act as secretary of the board of directors. Each of the members of the board of directors shall receive, for each attendance at the meetings of the board, five dollars and his necessary expenses and shall receive no other compensation. Any vacancy in the board of directors shall be filled by the remaining members.

Board to elect three commissioners.

SEC. 11. No informality in any proceeding or informality in the conduct of any election, not substantially affecting adversely the legal rights of any citizen, shall be held to invalidate the incorporation of any municipal water district, and any proceeding wherein the validity of such incorporation is denied, shall be commenced within three months from the date of the certificate of incorporation, otherwise said incorporation and the legal existence of said municipal water district and all proceedings in respect thereto shall be held to be valid and in every respect legal and incontestable.

Informality not to invalidate.

SEC. 12. Any municipal water district incorporated as herein provided, shall have power:

Powers of district.

1. To have perpetual succession;
2. To sue and be sued, except as otherwise provided herein or by law, in all actions and proceedings in all courts and tribunals of competent jurisdiction;
3. To adopt a seal and alter it at pleasure;
4. To take by grant, purchase, gift, devise, or lease, hold, use, enjoy, and to lease or dispose of real and personal property of every kind, within or without the district, necessary to the full exercise of its powers;

5. To acquire, or contract to acquire, lands, rights and privileges, and construct, maintain and operate conduits, pipelines, reservoirs, works, machinery and other property useful or necessary to store, convey, supply or otherwise make use of water for the benefit of the district;

6. To sell water under the control of the district to the municipalities and precincts comprising the same and to the inhabitants thereof without preference to such municipalities and precincts; and it may, whenever there is a surplus above that which may be required by such municipalities and precincts, sell or otherwise dispose of such surplus outside of the district to persons, firms, public or private corporations;

7. To have and exercise the right or eminent domain and, in the manner provided by law for the condemnation of private property for public use, to take any property necessary to supply the district or any portion thereof with water, whether such property be already devoted to the same use or otherwise, and may condemn any existing water works or system, or any portion thereof owned by any person or corporation. In proceedings relative to the exercise of such right, the district shall have the same rights, powers and privileges as a municipal corporation;

8. To borrow money and incur indebtedness and to issue bonds or other evidences of such indebtedness; also to refund or retire any indebtedness or lien that may exist against the district or property thereof;

9. To cause taxes to be levied for the purpose of paying any obligation of the district;

10. To make contracts, to employ labor and do all acts necessary for the full exercise of the foregoing powers.

SEC. 13. The powers herein enumerated shall, except as herein otherwise provided, be exercised by the board of directors above provided for and elected as prescribed herein.

President  
of commis-  
sioners.

SEC. 14. The commissioners shall elect one of its members president, who shall sign all contracts on behalf of the district and perform such other duties as may be imposed by the commissioners or the board of directors. They shall appoint an auditor, who shall not be a member of the board of directors, and who shall be charged with the duty of installing and maintaining a system of auditing and accounting that shall completely and at all times show the financial condition of the district. He shall draw warrants to pay demands made against the district when such demands have been first approved by at least two of the commissioners. The commissioners shall also designate a depositary or depositaries to have the custody of the funds of the district, all of which depositaries shall give security sufficient to secure the district against possible loss, and who shall pay the warrants drawn by the auditor for demands against the district under such rules as the directors may prescribe.

Auditor.

Resolution  
to incur  
bonded in-  
debtedness.

SEC. 15. Whenever the board of directors deem it necessary for the district to incur a bonded indebtedness it shall, by resolution, so declare and state the purpose for which the

proposed debt is to be incurred and the amount thereof, and shall direct the commissioners to take, or cause to be taken, such proceedings as may be necessary to incur such debt and in the manner herein provided.

SEC. 16. The commissioners shall adopt a resolution reciting the adoption of the resolution mentioned in the foregoing section, state the proposition to be submitted to the electors, the amount of debt proposed to be incurred, the maximum term the bonds proposed to be issued shall run before maturity, which shall not exceed forty years, and the maximum rate of interest to be paid, which shall not exceed five per cent per annum.

Proposition submitted to electors.

They shall fix a date upon which an election shall be held for the purpose of authorizing said bonded indebtedness to be incurred, and shall transmit a certified copy of the resolution fixing such date to the county board of supervisors. It shall be the duty of such board to provide for holding such special election on the day so fixed and in such manner and form as special elections are held and conducted within the municipality.

Election.

Such board shall give notice of the holding of such election, which notice shall contain the resolution adopted by the commissioners of the water district, the location of polling places and the names of the officers selected to conduct the election, which shall consist of one judge, one inspector and two clerks, in each precinct. Such notice shall be published for two weeks in a newspaper published in each municipality in such water district which paper shall be designated by the commissioners of the water district, or if there is no newspaper printed in any municipality, then by posting such notice in three public places therein. All the expenses of holding such election shall be borne by the district and shall be paid or credited to each city or to the county in case of precincts outside of incorporated areas, upon the filing of a verified claim therefor with the secretary of the commission. The returns of such election shall be made, the votes canvassed and the results thereof ascertained and declared as in case of other special elections within such municipalities. The board of supervisors shall certify the result of such election to the commissioners of the water district. No irregularities or informalities in conducting such election shall invalidate the same, if the election shall have otherwise been fairly conducted. In all respects not otherwise provided for herein said election shall be called, managed and directed as is by law provided for special elections in the municipalities or precincts in which such election is to be held.

Notice to be published.

SEC. 17. If from such returns it appears that more than two thirds of the votes cast at such election were in favor of and assented to the incurring of such indebtedness, then the commissioners may, by resolution, at such time or times as they deem proper, provide for the form of such bonds and for the issuance of any part thereof, and may sell or dispose of the bonds so issued at such times or in such manner as they deem to be to the public interest.

Two thirds vote necessary to carry.

Bonds exempt from taxation.

SEC. 18. Any bonds issued by any district are hereby given the same force, value and use as bonds issued by any municipality and shall be exempt from all taxation within the State of California.

Commissioners may construct works across streams, streets, etc.

SEC. 19. The commissioners shall have power to construct works across any stream of water, watercourse, street, avenue, highway, railway, canal, ditch, or flume which the route of said works may intersect or cross, provided such works are constructed in such manner as to afford security for life and property, and said commissioners shall restore the crossings and intersections to their former state as near as may be, or in a manner not to have impaired unnecessarily their usefulness. Every company whose right of way shall be intersected or crossed by said works shall unite with said commissioners in forming said intersections and crossings and grant the rights therefor. The right of way is hereby given, dedicated and set apart to locate, construct and maintain said works over and through any of the lands which are now or may be the property of this state, and to have the same rights and privileges appertaining thereto as have been or may be granted to the municipalities within the state.

Municipalities to fix rates, collect charges, etc.

SEC. 20. The commissioners shall have no supervision or control of any of the distributing systems of the several municipalities, but the distribution of water in said municipalities, the fixing of rates and collecting of charges therefor shall be under the exclusive supervision and control of each such municipality, and the control of the district shall end with the delivery of water to the several municipalities at the point of delivery by said district; provided that until a municipality or a precinct shall acquire a distributing system the district may own and lease the same to the municipality or precinct upon such terms as may be mutually agreed upon.

Estimate of water needed by each municipality.

SEC. 21. Immediately after the organization of the board an estimate may be prepared of the probable amount of water that will be used by the several municipalities and precincts comprising said district, which estimate shall be based upon the population of said municipalities and precincts and thereafter the board may, in lieu of the other methods of procuring funds herein provided, notify the several municipalities of the estimated probable cost of the organization and conduct of such district, exclusive of the purchase of lands and the construction of works, canals and reservoirs, and the proportionate amount payable from each of such cities, whereupon each of such municipalities shall be required to contribute to said district its proportionate amount of the cost of organization of said district; provided, that the sums so paid by each of such municipalities shall be credited to the municipality making the payment and the same deducted from the charge for water first delivered to said municipality as herein provided.

What rate must cover.

SEC. 22. The commissioners in the furnishing of water to any municipality or precinct shall fix such rate as will pay the operating expenses of the district, provide for repairs and depreciation of works owned or operated by it, pay the interest

on any bonded debt, and, so far as possible, provide a sinking or other fund for the payment of the principal of such debt as it may become due; it being the intention of this section to require the district to pay the interest and principal of its bonded debt from the revenues of the district.

SEC. 23. If, from any cause, the revenues of the district shall be inadequate to pay the principal or interest on any bonded debt as it becomes due, then the board of directors may cause a tax to be levied for that purpose as herein provided. Tax levy to meet deficiency.

SEC. 24. The board of directors shall determine the amount necessary to be raised by taxation and shall fix a rate of tax to be levied which will raise the amount of money required by the district. The commissioners shall thereupon, and within a reasonable time previous to the time when the board of supervisors is required by law to fix its tax rate, certify to the board of supervisors the rate so fixed with a direction that at the time and in the manner required by law for the levying of taxes for municipal purposes, such board of supervisors shall levy and collect a tax in addition to such other tax as may be levied by such board of supervisors at the rate so fixed and determined, and it is made the duty of the officer or body having authority to levy taxes within each county to levy the tax so required. And it shall be the duty of all county officers charged with the duty of collecting taxes, to collect such tax in time, form and manner as county taxes are collected and when collected, to pay the same to the district ordering its levy and collection. Such tax shall be a lien on all property within the territory comprising the district and of the same force and effect as other liens for taxes, and its collection may be enforced by the same means as provided for the enforcement of liens for state and county taxes. Tax levy. County officers to collect taxes.

SEC. 25. Ordinances may be passed by the electors of any municipal water district organized under the provisions of this act in accordance with the methods provided by the general laws of the state for direct legislation in municipal corporations. Ordinances may be passed by electors.

SEC. 26. Ordinances may be disapproved and thereby vetoed by the electors of any such municipal water district by proceeding in accordance with the methods provided by the general laws of the state for protesting against legislation in municipal corporations. Ordinances may be vetoed by electors.

SEC. 27. Any portion of a county or any municipality, or both, may be added to any water district organized under the provisions of this act, at any time upon petition presented in the manner herein provided for the organization of such water district, which petition may be granted by ordinance of the board of directors of such water district. Such ordinance shall be submitted for adoption or rejection to the vote of the electors in such water district and in the proposed addition, at a general or special election held as herein provided, within seventy days after the adoption of such ordinance. If such ordinance is approved the president and secretary of the board of directors shall certify that fact to the secretary of state and Municipality may be added to district.

to the county recorder of the county or counties in which such water district is located.

Nothing  
repealed.

SEC. 28. Nothing in this act shall be so construed as repealing or in any wise modifying the provisions of any other act relating to water or the supply of water to, or the acquisition thereof by, municipalities within this state. The term "municipality" as used in this act shall include a consolidated city and county, city or town, and the word "district" shall apply, unless otherwise expressed or used, to a water district formed under the provisions of this act, and the word "board" and the words "board of directors" shall apply to the board of directors of such district, and the word "commissioners" shall apply to the commissioners of such water district, and the commissioners shall be regarded as a board of commissioners.

Defini-  
tions.

SEC. 31. This act shall take effect from and after its passage and approval.

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## CHAPTER 672.

*An act to provide for the electrical wiring and for electrical instruments in the State Normal School buildings at Chico, California, and making an appropriation therefor.*

[Approved May 1, 1911.]

*The people of the State of California, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

Appropriation:  
electrical  
wiring,  
Chico  
normal.

SECTION 1. There is hereby appropriated out of any money in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of two thousand dollars for the purpose of electrical wiring and for placing electrical instruments, for properly using the same and generating electrical energy in the State Normal School buildings at Chico, California.

SEC. 2. The state controller is hereby directed to draw his warrant or warrants for the money herein appropriated, and the state treasurer is hereby directed to pay the same.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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## CHAPTER 673.

*An act to provide for the construction of a fence around the premises of the state forestry station at Chico, California, and making an appropriation therefor.*

[Approved May 1, 1911.]

*The people of the State of California, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. There is hereby appropriated out of any money in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated the sum of three hundred and seventy-five dollars, for the purpose of con-