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1925 LEGISLATION RATIFYING THE SIX-STATE COMPACT

CALIFORNIA

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CHAPTER 33

*Assembly Joint Resolution No. 15—Relating to the Colorado River
Compact between the states of California, Arizona, Colorado, Nevada,
New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming*

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Whereas the legislature of the states of California, Colorado, New Mexico, Nevada, Utah, and Wyoming have heretofore approved the Colorado River Compact, signed by the commissioners for said states and the state of Arizona, and approved by Herbert Hoover, as the representative of the United States of America, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, November 24, 1922, and notice of the approval by the legislature of each of said approving states has been given by the governor thereof to the governors of the other signatory states, and to the President of the United States, as required by article eleven of said compact; and

Whereas the said compact has not been approved by the legislature of the state of Arizona, nor by the congress of the United States; now, therefore be it

Resolved by the assembly and the senate of the legislature of the State of California, jointly, at its forty-sixth session commencing on the fifth day of January, 1925, a majority of all the members elected to each house of said legislature voting in favor thereof, That the provisions of the first paragraph of article eleven of the said Colorado River Compact, making said compact binding and obligatory when it shall have been approved by the legislature of each of the signatory states, are hereby waived and said compact shall become binding and obligatory upon the State of California, when by act or resolution of their respective legislatures at least six of the signatory states, which have approved or which may hereafter approve said compact, shall consent

to such waiver and the congress of the United States shall have given its consent and approval; *provided, however*, that said Colorado River Compact shall not be binding or obligatory upon the State of California by this or any former approval thereof, or in any event until the President of the United States shall certify and declare (a) that the congress of the United States has duly authorized and directed the construction by the United States of a dam in the main stream of the Colorado river, at or below Boulder canyon, adequate to create a storage reservoir of a capacity of not less than twenty million acre-feet of water; and, (b) that the congress of the United States has exercised the power and jurisdiction of the United States to make the terms of said Colorado River Compact binding and effective as to the waters of said Colorado river.

That certified copies of the foregoing preamble and resolution be forwarded by the governor of the State of California to the President of the United States, the secretary of state of the United States, and the governors of the states of Arizona, Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming.