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**1925 LEGISLATION RATIFYING THE SIX-STATE
COMPACT**

COLORADO

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CHAPTER 177

WATER COMMISSION

COLORADO RIVER COMPACT

(H. B. No. 483, by Messrs. Calkins, Rees, Cowan, Newland, Day,
and McCormick)

An Act relating to the Colorado River Compact

Whereas the Legislatures of the States of California, Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming heretofore have 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 (Chap. 189, pp. 684-693, Sess. Laws, Colo., 1923, etc.), and notice of the approval by the Legislature of each of said approving States has been given by the Governor to the Governors of the other signatory States and to the President of the United States, as required by Article XI of said compact; now therefore,

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. That the provisions of the first paragraph of Article XI of The Colorado River Compact, making said compact effective 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 Colorado and upon the other signatory States, which have ratified or may hereafter ratify it, whenever at least six of the signatory states shall have consented thereto and the Congress of the United States shall have given its consent and approval, *Provided, however*, that this Act shall be of no

force or effect until a similar Act or Resolution shall have been passed or adopted by the Legislatures of the States of California, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming.

SECTION 2. That certified copies of this Act be forwarded by the Governor of the State of Colorado to the President of the United States, the Secretary of State of the United States, and the Governors of the States of Arizona, California, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming.

SECTION 3. The General Assembly hereby finds, determines, and declares that this Act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

SECTION 4. In the opinion of the General Assembly an emergency exists, therefore, subject to the provision of Section 1 hereof, this Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved February 26, 1925.