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AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE MAKING BY HEALTH
AUTHORITIES OF ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE
FLUORIDATION OF WATER SUPPLIED TO THE
PUBLIC BY SANITARY AUTHORITIES THROUGH
PIPES AND TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN OTHER
MATTERS CONNECTED WITH THE MATTER AFORE-
SAID. 10

BE IT ENACTED BY THE OIREACHTAS AS FOLLOWS :—

Definitions.

1.—In this Act—

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“fluoridation” includes the addition of fluorine in any form;

“health authority” has the same meaning as in the Health Act,
1947;

1947, No. 28.

“the Minister” means the Minister for Health;

“sanitary authority” has the same meaning as in the Local
Government (Sanitary Services) Acts, 1878 to 1952. 20

Arrangement
by health
authorities for the
fluoridation
of water.

2.—(1) Subject to and in accordance with this Act and regula-
tions made under *subsection (3)* of this section, a health authority
shall arrange for the fluoridation of water supplied to the public
by sanitary authorities through pipes. 25

(2) The Minister may, in relation to a particular health
authority, fix a date before which they shall, in relation to a par-
ticular public water supply, arrange for the fluoridation of water
derived therefrom.

(3) (a) The Minister may make regulations as to the manner in
which and the extent to which health authorities shall
perform their functions under this Act, and such regu-
lations shall in particular provide for the specification
of the amount of fluorine (which shall not exceed one
part by weight of fluorine per million parts of water)
which may be added to a water supply. 30 35

(b) Regulations made under this subsection may relate to
one or more health authorities and different regulations
may be made in relation to different health authorities.

Appropriate
health authority
to arrange for
fluoridation.

3.—(1) Where water from a particular public water supply is
supplied to the functional area of one health authority only, the
fluoridation of water derived therefrom shall be arranged by that
health authority. 40

(2) Where water from a particular public water supply is supplied to the functional areas of two or more health authorities, the fluoridation of water derived therefrom shall be arranged by such of those health authorities as the Minister may determine.

- 5 4.—(1) (a) The Minister may, after consultation with the Minister for Local Government, make regulations under this subsection requiring sanitary authorities to perform, as agents for health authorities, such acts, in relation to the fluoridation of water, as the Minister thinks fit and specifies in the regulations.
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- (b) Regulations under this subsection may relate to one or more sanitary authorities and different regulations may be made in relation to different sanitary authorities.
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- (c) Every sanitary authority shall, notwithstanding anything contained in the Local Government (Sanitary Services) Acts, 1878 to 1952, or in any local Act relating to the supply of water to the public, comply with any regulations made under this subsection which are applicable to that sanitary authority.
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- (d) A sanitary authority may, with the consent of the Minister for Local Government, borrow for the purpose of defraying any expenses incurred by them under regulations made under this subsection as if they were expenses under the Local Government (Sanitary Services) Acts, 1878 to 1952.
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- (e) The appropriate health authority shall pay, on demand, to a sanitary authority any expenses (including payment of loan charges) incurred in a local financial year by that authority under regulations made under this subsection.
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Duties of sanitary authorities in relation to the fluoridation of water.

35 (2) Where the Minister has, under subsection (2) of section 2 of this Act, fixed in relation to a particular health authority, a date before which that health authority shall, in relation to a particular public water supply, arrange for the fluoridation of water derived therefrom, a sanitary authority who are required by regulations made under subsection (1) of this section to perform, as agent for

40 that health authority, certain acts in relation to the fluoridation of water shall before that date perform those acts in relation to that particular public water supply.

45 5.—(1) Where a health authority (in this section referred to as the arranging authority) arrange for the fluoridation of water derived from a public water supply which serves any part of the functional area of another health authority, that other health authority shall pay on demand to the arranging authority, in respect of the cost of the expenses (including payment of loan charges) incurred in a local financial year by the arranging

50 authority in respect of such fluoridation, a sum bearing to the total expenses the same ratio (estimated as closely as is reasonably practical) as the amount of water supplied in that year to the functional area of that other health authority bears to the total amount of water supplied from that public water supply.

Contribution by one health authority to another where water derived from a public water supply serves the functional areas of both authorities.

55 (2) If any dispute arises as to the amount of the payment to be made under subsection (1) of this section by one health authority to another health authority, the dispute shall be referred to and decided by the Minister.

60 (3) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (1) of this section, any two health authorities may make and carry out an

agreement that neither of them shall make to the other any payment which would otherwise be proper to be made pursuant to that subsection.

Duty of health authority to make estimate of incidence of dental caries in their functional area.

6.—(1) It shall be the duty of each health authority, whenever and so often as the Minister so requires, to make, before such date as the Minister may specify, such estimate as may be directed by the Minister of the incidence of dental caries in their functional area or in a specified part of their functional area, either with respect to all persons therein or to a specified class of such persons, and to furnish to the Minister particulars of such estimate as soon as may be after it is made.

(2) Nothing in this section shall be construed as imposing an obligation on any person to submit himself or any person for whom he is responsible to examination.

Construction of Health Services (Financial Provisions) Act, 1947, No. 47.

7.—In its application to a service under this Act, subsection (2) of section 2 of the Health Services (Financial Provisions) Act, 1947, shall be construed as if "the date of the declaration," were substituted for "the 1st day of April next after the making of the declaration,".

Laying of regulations before Houses of the Oireachtas.

8.—Every regulation made by the Minister under this Act shall be laid before each House of the Oireachtas as soon as may be after it is made and, if a resolution annulling the regulation is passed by either such House within the next subsequent twenty one days on which that House has sat after the regulation is laid before it, the regulation shall be annulled accordingly, but without prejudice to the validity of anything previously done thereunder.

Short title and collective citation.

9.—(1) This Act may be cited as the Health (Fluoridation of Water Supplies) Act, 1960.

(2) The Health Acts, 1947 to 1958, and this Act may be cited together as the Health Acts, 1947 to 1960.

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