

CHAPTER 142

WATER SOURCES (CONTROL)

A LAW TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONTROL OF SOURCES OF WATER

NN 1963,
Cap. 136,
BOSLN 1 of
1982.[30 October 1961] Date of
commence-
ment.

1. This Law may be cited as the Water Sources (Control) Law. Short title.

2. In this Law:—

Interpreta-
tion."Commissioner" means the State Commissioner to whom is
assigned for the time being responsibility for land;

"State" means the Borno State of Nigeria.

3. The Governor may by order, and after such inquiry, if any,
as he may think fit, declare any river, lake, stream or waterway,
other than a river, lake, stream or waterway which has been
declared by the National Assembly to be a source affecting more
than one State, to be a prescribed source of water for the purposes
of this Law.

Declaration
of source of
water.

4. No person shall dam up or otherwise interfere with any
source of water prescribed in accordance with section 3 without
first serving on the Commissioner a notice stating the works he
proposes to undertake in the prescribed form.

Interference
with
declared
sources
of water
prohibited.

5. Within the time stated in the notice referred to in section 4

Commis-
sioner may

Regulations.

6. The Governor may make regulations providing for the period of notice to be given under section 4, the form of such notice and otherwise for the better carrying out of this Law.

**Rights to
water under
the Minerals
Act not
affected.
Cap. 121
(1958).**

7. Nothing in this Law shall affect any rights relating to water acquired under the Minerals Act.
