(COPY) SOUTHERN DRAINAGE DISTRICT of Florida Miami, Fla. June 15th, 1929. Mr. Frank Pepper. City. Dear Friend: Bill passed senate last night and will follow same through house and hope to get it passed today or Monday. I am having same trouble with this bill that we had with the bill taking off the 1927 tax, as the only objection is that a bill taking off a tax is so unusual that members fear there must be some trick in it. Will you please wire Senator Watson in the name of your Companies thanking him for his prompt action in passing bill after I had drawn same and wired it to him. The members felt that the bill had no chance, but I FELT SURE that if the bill was properly explained it could be passed, as any common sense member must realize that the tax situation on raw lands is most acute and I wired our reasons and our side of it very fully so that the purpose of the bill would be plain to all. Barring amendments and being switched to committee the bill should pass promptly if we get the same support that we got from our Senator. I have wired Senator Watson and have his answer assuring me he would follow it through the house. Yours truly, Joe Conrad.