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carrying license plates under such registration. However, there are no facts stated in your communication which make applicable the provisions of paragraph 12 of Section 6290, General Code, above noted; and, as the questions here presented are stated in your communication, I am of the opinion that the same should be answered in the negative.

In this connection it would seem that although it would be competent for this state to require motor busses owned by non-residents and used on the public roads and highways of this state in the manner indicated by your several questions to comply with the laws of this state with respect to the registration and regulation of motor vehicles, notwithstanding the owners of such motor busses have complied with the laws of the state of their residence with respect to the registration and regulation of the same, this state has not yet seen fit to make this requirement.

Respectfully,
GILBERT BETTMAN,
Attorney General.

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APPROVAL, BONDS OF MONROE COUNTY-\$20,000.00.

Columbus, Ohio, February 26, 1929.

Retirement Board, State Teachers Retirement System, Columbus. Ohio.

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APPROVAL, LEASE TO OFFICE ROOMS IN THE SOUTH STONEMAN BUILDING IN THE CITY OF COLUMBUS.

Columbus, Ohio, February 26, 1929.

HON. H. H. GRISWOLD, Director of Public Welfare, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIR:—This is to acknowledge receipt of your communication of recent date submitting for my examination and approval a lease in triplicate executed by The Sharp Realty Company, as lessor, leasing to the State of Ohio, through the Director of Public Works, certain floor space on the fourth floor of the South Stoneman Building in the City of Columbus, Ohio.

An examination of said lease shows that it is in proper form and as to form the same is hereby approved.

I note that said lease although signed by you in your official capacity as Director of the Department of Public Welfare, and also by the Sharp Realty Company by its Manager, has not been signed by the Director of the Department of Public Works. Inasmuch as under the provisions of Section 164-40, General Code, it is made the duty of the Superintendent of Public Works, as Director thereof "to lease office space in buildings for the use of the state government, or any department, office or institution thereof", said lease should, of course, be signed by said Director.