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APPROVAL, CONTRACT BETWEEN THE STATE OF OHIO AND THE JOS. L. SKELDON ENGINEERING COMPANY, TOLEDO, OHIO, FOR CONSTRUCTION OF NEW BOILERS, STOKERS AND EQUIPMENT, STATE CAPITOL BUILDING, COLUMBUS, OHIO, AT AN EXPENDI-TURE OF \$26,433.00—SURETY BOND EXECUTED BY THE UNITED STATES FIDELITY AND GUARANTY COMPANY.

Columbus, Ohio, October 15, 1927.

HON. GEORGE F. SCHLESINGER, Director of Highways and Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIR:—You have submitted for my approval a contract between the State of Ohio, acting by the Department of Highways and Public Works, for the Division of State House and Grounds, and The Jos. L. Skeldon Engineering Company, of Toledo, Ohio. This contract covers the construction and completion of General Contract for New Boilers, Stokers and Equipment, State Capitol Building, Columbus, Ohio, and calls for an expenditure of twenty-six thousand four hundred and thirty-three dollars (\$26,433.00).

You have submitted the certificate of the Director of Finance to the effect that there are unencumbered balances legally appropriated in a sum sufficient to cover the obligations of the contract. You have also submitted a certificate from the Controlling Board, signed by the Secretary thereof, that in accordance with Section 12 of House Bill No. 502, 87th General Assembly, said board has properly consented to and approved the expenditure of the moneys appropriated by the 87th General Assembly for the purpose covered by this contract. In addition, you have submitted a contract bond upon which the United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company appears as surety, sufficient to cover the amount of the contract.

You have further submitted evidence indicating that plans were properly prepared and approved, notice to bidders was properly given, bids tabulated as required by law and the contract duly awarded. Also it appears that the laws relating to the status of surety companies and the workmen's compensation have been complied with.

Finding said contract and bond in proper legal form, I have this day noted my approval thereon and return the same herewith to you, together with all other data submitted in this connection.

Respectfully, EDWARD C. TURNER, Attorney General.

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TIME—WHEN BANKS SHOULD CLOSE—SECTION 5976, GENERAL CODE CONSTRUED.

SYLLABUS:

Section 5976, General Code, is unaffected by House Bill No. 10, 87th General Assembly, amending Section 5979, General Code, and the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November between the hours of twelve o'clock noon, central standard time, and five-thirty