2106.

APPROVAL, CONTRACT BETWEEN THE STATE OF OHIO AND THE SKINNER ENGINE COMPANY, ERIE, PENNSYLVANIA, FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF ENGINE AND GENERATOR UNIT, INSTITUTION FOR FEEBLE-MINDED, ORIENT, OHIO, AT AN EXPENDITURE OF \$10,985.00—SURETY BOND EXECUTED BY THE NATIONAL SURETY COMPANY.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, May 15, 1928.

HON. JOHN E. HARPER, Director of Public Welfare, Columbus, Ohio.

Dear Sir:—You have submitted for my approval a contract between the State of Ohio, acting by the Department of Public Welfare (Institution for Feeble-Minded) and Skinner Engine Company, of Erie, Pennsylvania. This contract covers the construction and completion of Engine and Generator Unit, Institution for Feeble-Minded, located at Orient, Ohio, and calls for an expenditure of ten thousand nine hundred eighty-five (\$10,985.00) dollars.

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. In addition you have submitted a contract bond, upon which the National Surety 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.

2107.

APPROVAL, LEASES TO MIAMI AND ERIE CANAL, OHIO AND ERIE CANAL, HOCKING CANAL, INDIAN LAKE, LAKE ST. MARYS AND BUCKEYE LAKE LANDS.

Columbus, Ohio, May 16, 1928.

HON. RICHARD T. WISDA, Superintendent of Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIR:—I am in receipt of your letter of May 16, 1928, in which you enclose the following leases in triplicate for my approval:

· MIAMI AND ERIE CANAL	V aluati	on
The Baltimore and Ohio and Chicago Railroad Company, land lease	\$1,666	67
Paris Douglas, land lease	500	00
G. S. Pease, land lease	600	00

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OHIO AND ERIE CANAL	Valuation
F. L. Diley, land leasePhilip and Margaret John, land leaseRobert E. Miller, land leaseE. D. Swigart, land lease	500 00 5,000 00
HOCKING CANAL	Valuation
John Love, land leaseChas. J. Wright, land lease	\$700 00 666 67
INDIAN LAKE	Valuation
Edgar Hamburger, walkway	\$250 00
LAKE ST. MARYS	Valuation
J. P. Long, land lease	\$1,000 00
BUCKEYE LAKE	Valuation
Dr. F. L. Stillman, walkway and dock landing	\$100 00

I have carefully examined said leases, find them correct as to legality and form, and am therefore returning same with my approval endorsed thereon.

Respectfully,

Edward C. Turner,
Attorney General.

2108.

APPROPRIATIONS FOR HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT—MAY BE USED TO PAY EXPENSES NECESSITATED BY SECTIONS 14153-5 AND 14153-6, GENERAL CODE—MIAMI AND ERIE CANAL.

SYLLABUS:

In carrying out the provisions of Sections 14153-5 and 14153-6 of the General Code, the Director of Highways is authorized to use the general appropriations made to the Department of Highways for the purpose of employing engineers, clerks and other employes, in paying wages and the necessary traveling expenses of persons employed in carrying out the provisions of said sections, and likewise any other general appropriation that may be necessary to accomplish the duties of the Director of Highways in carrying out the mandate of the Legislature.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, May 17, 1928.

Hon. George F. Schlesinger, Director of Highways, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIR:—Receipt is acknowledged of your communication of recent date, reading as follows:

"I have your Opinion No. 1974 in response to my request of March 13, 1928, regarding certain sections of Amended Senate Bill No. 39 enacted at the last session of the Legislature.