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limitations of section 2, Article XII of the Ohio Constitution, even though such levies were approved by a vote of the electors in the years 1931, 1932 or 1933.

Respectfully,

JOHN W. BRICKER, Attorney General.

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APPROVAL, CONTRACT BETWEEN THE STATE OF OHIO AND THE CARMICHAEL CONSTRUCTION COMPANY OF AKRON, OHIO, FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND COMPLETION OF CONTRACT FOR PLUMBING AT BROADCASTING STATION AND BARRACKS FOR THE STATE HIGHWAY PATROL, MASSILLON, OHIO, AT AN EX-PENDITURE OF \$3,335.00-CONTRACT BOND EXECUTED BY THE UNITED STATES GUARANTEE COMPANY.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, July 26, 1934.

HON. T. S. BRINDLE, Superintendent of Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIR:—You have submitted for my approval a contract between the State of Ohio, acting by the Department of Public Works, for the Department of Highways, and the Carmichael Construction Company of Akron, Ohio. This contract covers the construction and completion of Contract for Plumbing for a project known as Broadcasting Station and Barracks for the State Highway Patrol, Massillon, Ohio, in accordance with Item No. 2 and Item No. 8 (Alt. P-1) of the Form of Proposal dated July 3, 1934. Said contract calls for an expenditure of three thousand three hundred and thirty-five dollars (\$3,335.00).

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 of the Controlling Board, showing that said board has released funds for this project in accordance with section 8 of House Bill No. 699 of the 90th General Assembly, regular session.

In addition, you have submitted a contract bond upon which the United States Guarantee 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, John W. Bricker, Attorney General.