

It has been ascertained by this department that each of the said surety companies signing said bonds is authorized to transact their business of fidelity and surety insurance in this state.

I am unable to approve the bond of O. W. Merrell, for the reason that no penal sum for which the principal and surety may become liable, in the event said principal fails during his term of office faithfully to discharge the duties imposed upon him by law, is set forth in said bond.

Finding all of said bonds other than that of O. W. Merrell in proper legal form and properly executed, I have noted my approval thereon and am returning the same herewith to you.

Respectfully,
EDWARD C. TURNER,
Attorney General.

1637.

APPROVAL, LEASE TO OHIO CANAL LAND.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, January 30, 1928.

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

DEAR SIR:—I am in receipt of your letter dated January 23, 1928, in which you enclose the following lease, in triplicate, for my approval:

<i>Ohio Canal</i>	<i>Valuation</i>
The Independent Company, land lease-----	\$8,333 34

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

Respectfully,
EDWARD C. TURNER,
Attorney General.

1638.

APPROVAL, LEASE TO PROPERTY IN LISBON, COLUMBIANA COUNTY, OHIO, FOR USE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, January 30, 1928.

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

DEAR SIR:—Receipt is acknowledged of your communication of January 27, 1928, enclosing a lease, in triplicate, for certain property located in Lisbon, Columbiana County, Ohio, for the use of the Department of Highways. The property therein leased includes Lots Nos. 288, 289, 290, 292 and 293 in the village of Lisbon and the buildings thereon, except the second story of the two-story frame building located on