

It is a general rule, that retrospective laws which conflict with a state constitution, or which tend to divest vested rights of property, are void, and courts will always struggle to give laws a prospective construction or interpretation. Sedgwick on Stat. and Const. Construction, 346, 2 ed."

In the instant case there is nothing contained in House Bill No. 21, supra, which would in any way indicate that said act was intended to operate retrospectively or which would permit, by any possibility, such construction of the act. To the contrary, section 4 thereof provides specifically that "no vouchers shall be issued under the provisions of this act * * * unless an application is filed for the same within thirty days of the month for which shelter allowance is applied for." Bearing in mind that the provisions of said act were not effective until March 16, 1935, it therefore seems manifest that the provisions thereof requiring that applications for shelter allowance must be filed within thirty days of the month for which such allowance is applied for, do not apply to an allowance for rent for occupancy prior to March 1, 1935.

Therefore, in specific answer to your question, it is my opinion that under the provisions of House Bill No. 21 of the 91st General Assembly, an owner of real estate whose property was occupied prior to March 1, 1935, by an indigent person, is not required, in order to secure the benefits of Amended Senate Bill No. 200 of the 90th General Assembly, 115 Ohio Laws, 194, to file an application for shelter allowance for such occupancy, within thirty days of said date.

Respectfully,

JOHN W. BRICKER,
Attorney General.

4294.

APPROVAL, PAPERS IN CONNECTION WITH THE CONVERSION OF THE FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN COMPANY OF YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO, INTO FIRST FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION OF YOUNGSTOWN.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, May 28, 1935.

HON. W. PAUL WAGNER, *Superintendent of Building and Loan Associations of Ohio, Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR SIR:—I have examined the various papers submitted by you in connection with the conversion of The Federal Savings and Loan Company of Youngstown, Ohio, into First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Youngstown, and find the papers submitted and the proceedings of said The Federal Savings and Loan Company, as disclosed thereby, to be regular and in conformity with the provisions of section 9660-2 of the General Code of Ohio.

All papers, including three copies of the charter issued to the said First Federal Savings and Loan Company, are returned herewith to be filed by you as a part of the permanent records of your department, except one copy of the charter which the law provides shall be filed by you with the Secretary of State. The law further provides that such filing with the Secretary of State shall be within ten days after the requirements of said section 9660-2 have been complied with by The Federal Savings and

Loan Company, and that your approval shall be endorsed on the copy so filed. You will find on the copies of the charter, form of approval for your signature.

Respectfully,

JOHN W. BRICKER,
Attorney General.

4295.

APPROVAL, BONDS OF TOLEDO CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, LUCAS COUNTY, OHIO, \$92,000.00.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, May 28, 1935.

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

4296.

APPROVAL, BONDS OF CITY OF LIMA, ALLEN COUNTY, OHIO, \$25,000 (UNLIMITED).

COLUMBUS, OHIO, May 28, 1935.

State Employes Retirement Board, Columbus, Ohio.

4297.

APPROVAL, BONDS OF SCIOTO COUNTY, OHIO, \$15,000.00.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, May 28, 1935.

Industrial Commission of Ohio, Columbus, Ohio.

4298.

APPROVAL, BONDS OF LUCAS COUNTY, OHIO, \$50,000.00.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, May 28, 1935.

Industrial Commission of Ohio, Columbus, Ohio.