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APPROVAL, BONDS OF VILLAGE OF FLUSHING, BELMONT COUNTY, \$19.277.66.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, June 22, 1927.

Industrial Commission of Ohio, Columbus, Ohio.

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APPROPRIATION—MAY BE MADE ONLY BY LAW AND NOT BY JOINT RESOLUTION—NO APPROPRIATION MADE IN HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 9, 87TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY— CANNOT ACCEPT OTHER FUNDS.

SYLLABUS:

- 1. An appropriation may be made only by law and not by joint resolution.
- 2. No attempt was made to make an appropriation by House Joint Resolution No. 9 of the 87th General Assembly, relative to economy in public service and providing for an investigation of the compensation and duties of state employes, such resolution simply providing that the expense of the committee thereby created, not exceeding \$25,000.00, should be payable from the contingent fund of the legislature, after moneys had been appropriated for such purpose.
- 3. Legislative committees have only such powers as are expressly granted and those necessarily incident to carry out express powers. The joint legislative committee provided for by House Joint Resolution No. 9 of the 87th General Assembly is without authority to accept funds from any organization of any kind for the purpose of carrying on the work of the committee or for any other purpose.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, June 24, 1927.

Hon. Walter G. Nickels, Chairman, Sub-Committee under House Joint Resolution No. 9, New Philadelphia, Ohio.

DEAR MR. NICKELS:—I beg to acknowledge receipt of your request for opinion under date of June 22nd, reading as follows:

"I enclose herewith copy of House Joint Resolution No. 9, which has to do with the creation of a committee for investigation in the matter of economy in public expenditures. This is the resolution about which I conferred with you this morning. A number of state organizations wish to furnish the funds to finance this committee in its work.

In giving me your opinion on this matter will you not also include an opinion on the following: