

for an expenditure of five thousand one hundred and fifty-nine dollars (\$5,159.00).

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 3 of House Bill No. 698 (115 Ohio Laws, 398, 399) of the 90th General Assembly, regular session, as amended by Section 1 of House Bill No. 36 of the first special session of the 90th General Assembly.

In addition, you have submitted a contract bond upon which the United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company of Baltimore, Maryland, 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.

3780.

APPROVAL—BONDS OF CANAAN TOWNSHIP RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, MADISON COUNTY, OHIO, \$2,841.12.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, January 8, 1935.

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

3781.

APPROVAL, AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE D. T. & I. RAILROAD COMPANY AND STATE OF OHIO FOR RECONSTRUCTION OF BRIDGE AT SPRINGFIELD, OHIO.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, January 9, 1935.

HON. O. W. MERRELL, *Director of Highways, Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR SIR:—You have submitted for my examination an agreement between the D. T. & I. Railroad Co. and the State of Ohio, covering the reconstruction of a bridge over the tracks of said railroad at the east edge of Springfield on U. S. Route 40.

After examination, it is my opinion that the proposed agreement is in proper legal form and when executed by you will constitute a binding contract. Said agreement is returned herewith.

Respectfully,
JOHN W. BRICKER,
Attorney General.