

sembly, that the minimum license tax levied upon any vehicle having motor power other than a motorcycle shall be six dollars, is subject to the exceptions provided in Section 6294-2, General Code, with respect to the time in any year when application for license may be filed.

Respectfully,
GILBERT BETTMAN,
Attorney General.

3584.

APPROVAL, ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF THE EUREKA SECURITY FIRE & MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY OF CINCINNATI, OHIO.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, September 18, 1931.

HON. CLARENCE J. BROWN, *Secretary of State, Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR SIR:—I beg to acknowledge receipt of your communication enclosing a proposed amendment to the Articles of Incorporation of The Eureka Security Fire & Marine Insurance Company of Cincinnati for my examination and approval.

I find that the proposed amendment conforms with the constitutions and laws of the United States and of Ohio. Accordingly, I herewith return the same with my approval indorsed thereon.

Respectfully,
GILBERT BETTMAN,
Attorney General.

3585.

APPROVAL, PETITION FOR AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE XII, OHIO CONSTITUTION.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, September 18, 1931.

MR. C. E. WHARTON, *Kenton, Ohio.*

DEAR SIR:—You have submitted for my examination a written petition signed by one hundred qualified electors of this state, containing a proposed constitutional amendment and a summary of the same, under the provisions of Section 4785-175, General Code, as amended by the 89th General Assembly. This section provides in part as follows:

“Whoever seeks to propose a law or constitutional amendment by initiative petition or to file a referendum petition against any law, section, or item in any law, shall by a written petition signed by one hundred qualified electors submit such proposed law, constitutional amendment or measure to be referred, and a summary of same to the attorney

general for examination. If in the opinion of the attorney general the summary is a fair and truthful statement of the proposed law, constitutional amendment or measure to be referred, he shall so certify.
* * *"

It is proposed to amend Article XII of the Constitution of Ohio by adding thereto Section 12, which section shall read as follows:

"The electors of each political subdivision may have full power to determine the manner in which public funds shall be expended in such subdivision. Such power shall include the right to increase or decrease the salary of any public official or employe by referendum vote. It shall also include the right to abolish any position in the public service that may be deemed unnecessary or in the public service of any political subdivision, by referendum vote. It shall also include the right to curtail or abolish any specific expense or law fixing a price, or an item in the current budget of any political subdivision or the state as a whole, by referendum vote. In any of the above cases, such referendum vote may be demanded only by a petition signed by two per cent of the electors of the subdivision, or state, computed on last vote for governor.

This amendment shall in no way impair the obligation of contracts, nor have any effect on payment of bonded indebtedness."

The summary of this amendment reads as follows:

"The purpose of this amendment is to grant to the electors or the state such control over the expenditure of public funds, that they may by the exercise of the referendum, increase or decrease the salary of any public official or employee, abolish any position in the public service that they deem unnecessary, curtail or abolish any specific expense or law fixing a price or an item in the current budget of any political subdivision of the state as a whole.

This amendment shall in no way impair the obligation of contracts, nor have any effect on payment of bonded indebtedness."

I am of the opinion that the foregoing is a fair and truthful summary of the proposed constitutional amendment and accordingly submit for uses provided by law, the following certification:

"I, Gilbert Bettman, Attorney General of the State of Ohio, pursuant to the duties imposed upon me under the provisions of Section 4785-175, General Code, hereby certify that the foregoing summary is a fair and truthful statement of the proposed amendment of the Constitution of Ohio by the addition to Article XII of Section 12.

GILBERT BETTMAN, *Attorney General.*"

Respectfully,

GILBERT BETTMAN,

Attorney General.