Encumbrance estimate No. 15 under date of November 23, 1937, division of contract, estimate of cost, notice to bidders, proof of publication, certificate of premium payment, recommendation of the Department of Public Works, request of the Department of Public Welfare to enter into contracts, recommendation of the State Architect and Engineer, Controlling Board release, certificate of the Auditor of State that certain plans and documents are on file in said office, tabulation of bids, and form of proposal properly executed, contract bond with the United States Guarantee Company as surety in a sufficient sum, power of attorney for its signer, financial statement and certificate to do business in the State of Ohio.

Finding said contract and bond in proper legal form, I have this day endorsed my approval thereon and return the same herewith to you, together with all other papers submitted in this connection.

Respectfully,

HERBERT S. DUFFY,

Attorney General.

1606.

APPROVAL—LEASE EXECUTED BY THE STATE OF OHIO BY SEVERAL LESSEES AT BUCKEYE LAKE, OHIO.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, December 11, 1937.

Hon. L. Wooddell, Conservation Commissioner, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIR: You have submitted for my examination and approval two reservoir land leases in triplicate, executed by you as Conservation Commissioner to the lessees therein named, by which there were leased and demised to the lessee parcels of reservoir lands owned by the state at Buckeye Lake, Ohio.

These leases, designated as to the name of the lessees, the location of the parcels of land leased, and the annual rental provided for therein, are as follows:

Name	Location	Rental
	S. ½ of Emb. Lot No. 42, Be	eing
Edward L. Heinzle	part of N. E. 1/4 of Sec. 28; T. 17,	
	R. 18, Fairfield Co., O.	\$18.00
Walter and Hester Weaver	S. W. 1/4 of S. 17, T. 19, R.	1 <b>7</b> ,
	Thorn Twp., Perry Co.	\$6.00

Upon examination of the leases hereinabove referred to, each of

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which is for a stated term of fifteen years, I find that the same have been properly executed by you as Conservation Commissioner and by the lessees therein named.

I further find, upon examination of the provisions of these leases and of the conditions and restrictions therein contained, that the same are in conformity with Section 471, General Code, under the authority of which these leases are executed, and with other statutory enactments relating to leases of this kind.

I am accordingly approving these leases as to legality and form, as is evidenced by my approval endorsed upon the leases and upon the duplicate and triplicate copies thereof, all of which are herewith enclosed.

Respectfully,

Herbert S. Duffy,

Attorney General.

1607.

APPROVAL—CERTIFICATION OF PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE XII OF THE OHIO CONSTITUTION BY THE ADOPTION OF A NEW SECTION TO BE KNOWN AS SECTION 13.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, December 13, 1937.

MR. DAVID E. FALKNER, 528 Ohio Street, Akron, 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 Section 4785-175, General Code. It is proposed to amend Article XII of the Constitution of Ohio by the adoption of a new section to be known as Section 13, to read as follows:

"On and after January first, 1939, no excise tax shall be levied or collected upon the sale or purchase of any goods or commodities, except upon fuel for motor vehicles."

A summary of this amendment reads as follows:

"This amendment will prohibit the imposition of any excise tax on the sale of any commodities except motor vehicle fuel after January 1, 1939."