

In accordance with the provisions of this latter section, I assume that the Division of Aid for the Aged, has provided for the allowance of four and one-half cents per mile for traveling and cost of meals, all of which shall not exceed \$25.00 per month. This amount has been deemed adequate by the Division and the Director of Public Welfare and has been the uniform rate under which all the employees of the Division operate.

I also assume that the county commissioners in seeking to supplement the expense allowance of the county administrator, are acting in their official capacity relative to the Old Age Pension Law, as provided in Section 1359-12, General Code, quoted supra, which recognizes them as the county administrative board. However, by virtue of Section 1359-15, General Code, it is provided in clear and concise language that the rules and regulations fixed by the Division of Aid for the Aged and pertinent to the salaries of any of the employees of the county boards, shall be binding upon all county boards. This language being clear and unambiguous, there is no occasion for interpretation. See *Stanton v. Realty Co.*, 117 O. S. 345 at Pages 349 and 350 and *Slingluff v. Weaver*, 66 O. S. at Page 620.

Moreover, it is to be observed that grants for old age pensions and the administration of the Old Age Pension Law, are from State funds and I am unable to find any authority for the county to make appropriations for old age pension grants or administration expenses.

Consequently, I am of the opinion, in specific answer to your inquiry, that it is not within the authority of the county commissioners to supplement the amount allowed for expenses to the Seneca County Administrator of Aid for the Aged.

Respectfully,

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APPROVAL—BONDS OF ASHLEY VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT, DELAWARE COUNTY, OHIO, \$35,000.00.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, January 6, 1937.

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