

Sub-section 8 of section 6290 as amended in 111 Ohio Laws 239, provides:

“‘Semi-trailer’ means any vehicle of the trailer type without motive power so designed or used with another and separate motor vehicle that in operation a part of its own or that of its load, or both, rests upon and is carried by such other vehicle furnishing the motive power for propelling itself and the vehicle herein referred to.”

Section 6292-1 definitely states the method of computing the fee to be paid for a trailer or semi-trailer.

From the foregoing it would seem that since the law as last amended definitely defines a trailer and specifically provides for a fee to be charged upon the registration thereof, the conclusion is irresistible that a semi-trailer must be considered as a separate unit for the purpose of registration.

Respectfully,  
C. C. CRABBE,  
*Attorney General.*

3055.

APPROVAL, ABSTRACTS OF TITLE TO PREMISES IN PORTAGE COUNTY, NELSON TOWNSHIP, KNOWN AS “THE NELSON LODGE PROPERTY.”

COLUMBUS, OHIO, January 8, 1926.

HON. CARL E. STEEB, *Secretary Ohio Agricultural Experiment Station, Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR SIR:—Examination of an abstract of title, warranty deed and encumbrance estimate, submitted by you to the department for examination and opinion, discloses the following:

The abstract under consideration was certified under date of October 23, 1925, and pertains to the following premises:

Lands formerly belonging to H. H. Hoffmaster, being about 46.78 acres located in lots No. 35 and 36 in Nelson township, Portage county, Ohio, and commonly known as “The Nelson Lodge Property,” and being more particularly described in the caption of the abstract to which this opinion is attached.

Upon examination of said abstract, I am of the opinion same shows a good and merchantable title to said premises in the Portage Silica Company, a corporation, subject to the following exceptions:

At the time of the certificate of the abstracter, the amount of taxes levied and assessed against the premises under consideration for the fiscal year 1925, was not yet determined.

This matter should be given further attention and an addenda added to the abstract covering the matter of taxes. The same criticism and suggestion obtains with reference to special assessments that may appear on the treasurer’s duplicate with reference to the premises under consideration.

It is further suggested that the proper delivery of the already executed deed

submitted with the abstract, will be sufficient to convey the title of said premises to the State of Ohio.

The encumbrance estimate, as submitted, bearing No. 5668, is made to cover forty (40) acres of land. However, the abstract and deed seem to cover forty-six and seventy-eight hundredths (46.78) acres of land. Your attention is directed to this discrepancy, otherwise the encumbrance estimate for the sum of \$10,000.00 has been legally certified by Hon. Wilbur E. Baker, Director of Finance, under date of July 30, 1925.

Attention is also directed to the provision of section 12 of the General Appropriation Act of the 86th General Assembly, which provides that no moneys herein appropriated for the purchase of real estate shall be expended without the consent and approval of the controlling board. This provision must be complied with and properly evidenced before the above purchase can be legally consummated.

The abstract of title, warranty deed and encumbrance estimate submitted by you are herewith returned.

Respectfully,  
C. C. CRABBE,  
*Attorney General.*

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3056.

APPROVAL, CERTIFIED COPIES OF FINAL RESOLUTIONS ON IMPROVEMENTS IN ATHENS AND MAHONING COUNTIES.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, January 8, 1926.

*Department of Highways and Public Works, Division of Highways, Columbus, Ohio.*

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3057.

APPROVAL, CONTRACT BETWEEN STATE OF OHIO, AND VAN DORN IRON WORKS CO., OF CLEVELAND, OHIO, COVERING CONSTRUCTION AND COMPLETION OF FOUR CASES METAL BOOK SHELVING WITH GLASS DOORS FOR OHIO ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY, COLUMBUS, OHIO, AT EXPENDITURE OF \$3,004.12. SURETY BOND EXECUTED BY THE AMERICAN SURETY COMPANY OF NEW YORK CITY.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, January 8, 1926.

HON. GEORGE F. SCHLESINGER, *Department of Highways and Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR SIR:—You have submitted for my approval a contract between the State of Ohio, acting by the Department of Highways and Public Works, and the Van Dorn