

Answering your question specifically, there being no statutory authority either express or implied which vests in a board of county commissioners the power to purchase land for the use of an airport, I am of the opinion that said board of county commissioners may not lawfully purchase land for such purpose, or issue bonds to make payment therefore.

Respectfully,  
EDWARD C. TURNER,  
*Attorney General.*

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APPROVAL, CONTRACT BETWEEN THE STATE OF OHIO AND ROBERT S. HARSH AND ASSOCIATES, INC., COLUMBUS, OHIO, FOR REMODELING OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS AT THE OHIO SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' ORPHANS' HOME, XENIA, OHIO, AT AN EXPENDITURE OF \$96.00.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, October 4, 1927.

HON. GEORGE F. SCHLESINGER, *Director 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 Robert S. Harsh and Associates, Inc., Columbus, Ohio. This contract covers a part of the architectural services in connection with remodeling of school buildings at the Ohio Soldiers' and Sailors' Orphans' Home, Xenia, Ohio, and calls for an expenditure of ninety-six dollars (\$96.00).

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 from the Controlling Board, signed by the secretary thereof, that in accordance with Section 12 of House Bill No. 502, 87th General Assembly, said board has properly consented to and approved the expenditure of the monies appropriated by the 87th General Assembly for the purpose covered by this contract.

You have further submitted a certificate of authorization from the board of trustees of the Ohio Soldiers' and Sailors' Orphans' Home to enter into the contract.

Finding said contract 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,  
EDWARD C. TURNER,  
*Attorney General.*