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## APPROVAL, BONDS OF CITY OF GARFIELD HEIGHTS, CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO, \$22,000.00.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, April 25, 1935.

*Industrial Commission of Ohio, Columbus, Ohio.*

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## MOTOR VEHICLES—REGISTRATION REQUIRED OF MOTOR VEHICLES PURCHASED WITHOUT STATE BUT OPERATED IN THIS STATE—(O. A. G. 1927, Vol. III, P. 2093 APPROVED).

## SYLLABUS:

*Motor vehicles or used motor vehicles purchased outside the State of Ohio, and brought into this state, must first be registered before they may be operated on the highways of this state. If the car has never before been operated on the highways of this state or if the title thereto has never been transferred within the state of Ohio, registration may be made by the filing by the owner of a sworn statement as authorized by Section 6310-13, General Code. (O. A. G. 1927, Vol. III, page 2093, first branch of the syllabus approved and followed.)*

COLUMBUS, OHIO, April 26, 1935.

HON. FRAZIER REAMS, *Prosecuting Attorney, Toledo, Ohio.*

DEAR SIR:—I am in receipt of your communication which reads as follows:

“For reasons which are undisclosed but which may be easily guessed, the practice has sprung up along the border between Michigan and Ohio whereby a considerable number of residents of one state purchase automobiles in the neighboring state. Presently, the purchaser of a car in Michigan will call upon the Clerk of Courts in Ohio (especially Lucas County), to issue a license, and in support of his title will offer a sworn statement of ownership.

Not long ago certain federal agents who were tracing stolen cars instructed the Clerk in no uncertain terms to issue no license upon a car purchased in Michigan unless the application was accompanied by a Certificate of Title issued by the Secretary of State of Michigan. Since that time the Clerk has been requiring such ‘Michigan titles’ before issuing licenses.

Accordingly, one dealer in Monroe, Michigan, to-wit, the Monroe Automobile Company, 415 South Monroe Street, registered dealers in Michigan for 1935, with dealer’s license No. 3967 and dealer’s plates No. 438 (as duly certified by Orville E. Atwood, Secretary of State at Lansing), applied to the Secretary of State on behalf of one Elmer Ortendahl, purporting to be a resident of Monroe, Michigan, and the purchaser of a car from said dealer, for a ‘Michigan title’; the object being to furnish such ‘Michigan title’ to the Clerk of