

ALABAMA

On August 7, 1967, Administrator Bridwell wrote to Alabama Highway Director Nelson asking that the State develop proposed standards for outdoor advertising control for study and mutual discussion. Mr. Nelson replied by letter of August 17, 1967, that the State Legislature then had before it bills providing for highway beautification, including outdoor advertising control and the State did not consider it wise to attempt to enter into an agreement with the Federal Government while the Legislature was considering those bills. Several attempts were made in subsequent months to arrange for further negotiations; no affirmative reaction was received from the State until recently. A meeting is now scheduled for June 19 between State officials and Administration representatives in Montgomery.

ALASKA

On August 7, 1967, the Administrator wrote to Commissioner Gonnason of the Alaska Department of Highways, asking the State to develop proposed standards for outdoor advertising control in Alaska which could be used for study and mutual discussion. On March 4, 1968, a draft of a proposed agreement prepared by the State was received. This was determined to be satisfactory and the State was so advised. The agreement was executed by the State and signed by the Administrator on March 29, 1968.

ARIZONA

On August 7, 1967, Mr. Bridwell wrote to State Highway Engineer Price of the Arizona Highway Department asking the State to develop proposed standards for study and mutual discussion. Mr. Price replied on August 17, 1967, indicating that the Governor's Commission on Arizona Beauty was planning to set up a Citizens' Committee, to be appointed by the Governor, for the purpose of drafting billboard and junkyard legislation for presentation to the 1968 Legislature. Mr. Price continued that the assistance of a Federal representative would be requested at the appropriate time.

On October 23, 1967, a Federal Highway Administration representative met with the Citizens' Committee in Phoenix, at the Committee's request. The Federal representative explained the requirements of the Federal Act of the Committee, which represented a number of different interests, including the outdoor advertising industry. A second meeting at the request of the Committee was held on November 20, 1967, and there were a number of subsequent telephone conversations between State and Administration representatives concerning the provisions of the proposed outdoor advertising and junkyard control bills. During these discussions, mutually satisfactory control provisions were worked out. On February 22, 1968, two representatives of the Administration appeared before a joint committee of the Arizona Legislature and explained the Federal Highway Beautification Act and its requirements. The Arizona Legislature adjourned its 1968 session, however, without acting on the proposed legislation.

ARKANSAS

Negotiations were commenced on June 5, 1967, when a Federal Highway Administration representative conferred with State officials in Little Rock. Mr. Bridwell thereafter wrote to Director of Highways Goodman on August 7, 1967, and requested the State to develop proposed standards for further study and mutual discussion. At the request of the State, an Administration representative attended a conference in Little Rock on October 26, 1967, to discuss proposed standards which had been developed. On March 27, 1968, the Arkansas Highway Commission authorized Director Goodman to hold a public hearing on the proposed standards and thereafter execute an agreement with the Federal Highway Administration. This hearing was held in Little Rock on May 15, 1968. The State is now considering the information presented at the hearing.

CALIFORNIA

Negotiations with California were commenced on July 24, and 25, 1967, when representatives of the Federal Highway Administration met with State officials, including members of the Legislature, in Sacramento. Details of size, lighting, and spacing standards were worked out and were included in a bill passed into law by the California Legislature. Subsequent meetings were held in Sacra-