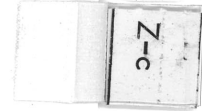




COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
PENNSYLVANIA STATE POLICE  
HARRISBURG

COLONEL JAMES D. BARGER  
COMMISSIONER

May 11, 1973



The Honorable Joseph H. Hepford  
House of Representatives  
Room 331  
Main Capitol Building  
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120

Dear Representative Hepford:

It has come to my attention that the investigation committee to which you are assigned is presently conducting a study of our State Police Civic Association.

The State Police Civic Association was organized in 1917 and officially incorporated under Pennsylvania law in 1922. The objective of this association has been and remains to establish and maintain a fund accumulated from dues paid by its members and from other sources with which to pay pensions, funeral expenses, and provide artificial limbs and eyes to members of the association. The rate at which each member contributes to the funds has grown from 1% (on a base not to exceed \$3,000) in 1917 to 8% at the present time, a portion of which is used for the purchase of investments to generate additional funds applied to the payment of pensions. While the maximum pension is \$150.00 per month the actual amount paid is determined by the income performance of the preceding year. At the present time there are approximately 870 men collecting a pension of approximately \$110.00 per month.

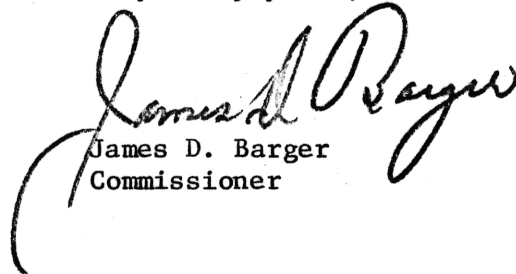
A major source of income to the fund has been acquired over the years through contributions from various industries and citizens throughout the Commonwealth. Such contributions have been solicited by active members of our Department through the sale of advertisements in a commemorative booklet published in conjunction with the annual appearance of the State Police Rodeo Team throughout the Commonwealth. There is, of course, no admission charged at these performances. This has been the procedure followed up to and including my appointment as Commissioner and, although I never agreed with the solicitation, I was never in a position to change it.

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Upon my appointment as Commissioner, I discussed the subject of solicitations with the Deputy Commissioner and the Board of Directors of the association, and it was decided that such solicitations will be discontinued immediately. Any future contributions will be handled by retirees and no active member of our Department will be involved in the solicitation or collection of any contributions to the association.

If you desire additional information on this subject, any member of my staff or I will be pleased to discuss it with you.

Very truly yours,



James D. Barger  
Commissioner



**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

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**HARRISBURG**

May 22, 1973

Colonel James D. Barger  
Commissioner  
Pennsylvania State Police  
Transportation and Safety Building  
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120

Dear Colonel Barger:

Thank you for your letter of May 11, 1973 containing information relative to the Pennsylvania State Police Civic Association.

We appreciate your continued cooperation.

Sincerely,

H. Joseph Hepford  
Chairman

HJH:rf

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