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Ohio Revised Code

Section 3506.03 Acquisition of equipment.

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Upon the adoption of voting machines, marking devices, and automatic tabulating equipment either by the action of the board of elections or by the board of county commissioners, on the recommendation of the board of elections or by the affirmative vote of a majority of the electors voting on the question of the adoption of such equipment, such board of county commissioners shall acquire the equipment by any one or by any combination of the following methods:

(A) By purchasing in whole or in part such equipment and paying the purchase price therefor in cash; or out of the proceeds of the issuance and sale of bonds, provided the question of issuing bonds for such purpose was submitted to the vote of the electors of the county pursuant to section 133.18 of the Revised Code and provided the issuance of such bonds was approved;

(B) By purchasing in whole or in part such equipment and paying the purchase price in a series of consecutive annual approximately equal installments the number of which shall not exceed the estimated number of years of usefulness of such equipment, as determined by the fiscal officer of the county and by issuing to the seller negotiable promissory notes of the county, evidencing the annual installments to become due, specifying the terms of purchase, and bearing interest at a rate not exceeding the rate determined as provided in section 9.95 of the Revised Code, which notes shall be public obligations as defined in division (GG)(2) of section 133.01 of the Revised Code and shall not be subject to Chapter 133. of the Revised Code, provided the legislation authorizing the issuance of such notes shall make provision for levying and collecting annually by taxation amounts sufficient to pay the interest on such notes and to provide for the payment of the principal thereof when due, and provided that the amounts of such tax so levied each year may be reduced by the amount by which revenues available for appropriation for the payment of the expenses of conducting elections are appropriated for, and applied to, the payment of such interest and principal of such notes;

(C) By leasing such equipment in whole or in part under contract of lease which shall provide for the rental, and also may provide for an option to purchase them or parts of them at a fixed price with the rentals paid to be applied to the purchase price, and payments under such contracts of lease may be



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made by the county out of funds of the county not otherwise appropriated; or which may be appropriated by the board of county commissioners, out of funds appropriated by the board of county commissioners to the board of elections for the costs and expenses of elections, with the approval of the board of elections; or out of the funds the board of county commissioners is authorized to provide by a levy and collection thereof annually by taxation.