

## Ohio Revised Code Section 3506.04 Acquisition of equipment in stages.

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- (A) If it is impracticable to supply each election precinct with voting machines or marking devices for use at the next election following the adoption of such equipment, as many shall be supplied for that election and the succeeding elections as it is practicable to procure either by purchase or lease, or by a combination of both, and such equipment may be used in election precincts within the county as the board of elections directs until such time as it is practicable to provide the total number of voting machines or marking devices necessary to supply all precincts within the county, provided that the total number of voting machines or marking devices necessary to supply all precincts shall be procured by purchase or lease, or by a combination of both as soon as practicable after their adoption.
- (B) The board of elections shall be charged with the custody of all equipment acquired by the county, and shall see that all such equipment is kept in proper working order and in good repair. The board of county commissioners of any county or the board of elections, upon recommendation of the board of elections, may, prior to the adoption of such equipment, acquire by purchase or lease or by loan, for the experimental use in a limited number of precincts, such equipment, and such experimental use shall be valid for all purposes as if such equipment had been formally adopted, provided that such equipment has been approved by the board of voting systems examiners for experimental use.
- (C) All equipment acquired by any county by any of the methods provided for in this section shall be exempt from levy and taxation.