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**1            SOS - 1            Acquisition of Voting Machines****R.C.        111.26, 152.33**

Specifies that marking devices and automatic tabulating equipment will be leased by participating counties until all lease payments have been made, at which time ownership will transfer to the county.

Designates marking devices and automatic tabulating equipment as state capital facilities for which the Ohio Building Authority is authorized to issue revenue obligations, and specifies that county boards of elections are state agencies having jurisdiction over those capital facilities.

Creates the County Voting Machine Revolving Lease/Loan Fund (Fund 5FJ0) and requires the Secretary of State to administer the fund, adopt rules for the lease program's implementation, and approve purchases of marking devices and automatic tabulating equipment using money from the fund. Specifies that county participation in the fund is voluntary, and limits the amount that a participating county may use from the fund to 50% of the total cost and not more than \$5 million.

**Fiscal effect: Provides a new funding source through which counties may acquire specified voting equipment.**

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**2            SOS - 2            Board of Voting Machine Examiners****Section:    387.10**

Requires appropriation item 050610, Board of Voting Machine Examiners, to be used to pay for the services and expenses of the members of the Board of Voting Machine Examiners, and states that moneys not used shall be returned to the person or entity submitting equipment for examination.

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**3            SOS - 3            Business Services Fund Transfer****Section:    387.10**

Requires the Director of Budget and Management to transfer \$500,000 in cash in each fiscal year, from the Business Services Fund (Fund 5990) to the County Voting Machine Revolving Lease/Loan Fund (Fund 5FJ0).

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