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Request for Commissioner's Court to approve an amount to lease the voting equipment to a Political Subdivision that is wholly or partly situated in the County. The maximum amount is 10% of the purchase price. *Per Section 123.032 of the Election Code.*

I would like to request the County to set a rate for the following:

Political Subdivision who is contracting with the Elections Department to conduct their Election and needs to lease the equipment.

**ExpressVote Terminal (ADA compliant Voting Machine)**  
**Purchase Price \$3325.00**

(Multiple machines are used during Early Voting and Election Day at each Vote Center.)  
Charge is per machine.

9% = \$299.25	8% = \$266.00	7% = \$232.75	6% = \$199.50
5% = \$166.25	4% = \$133.00	3% = \$99.75	2% = \$66.50
1% = \$33.25			

**DS200 Scanner (Ballot Counter)**  
**Purchase Price \$5750.00**

(One (1) machine is used during Early Voting and Election Day at each Vote Center.)  
Charge is per machine.

9% = \$517.50	8% = \$460.00	7% = \$402.50	6% = \$345.00
5% = \$287.50	4% = \$230.00	3% = \$172.50	2% = \$115.00
1% = \$57.50			

**Pollbooks (Voter check in and verification)  
Purchase Price \$1150.00**

(One (1) or Two (2) machines (depending on Vote Center) are used during Early Voting and Election Day at each Voter Center.)

9% = \$103.50

8% = \$92.00

7% = \$80.50

6% = \$69.00


5% = \$57.50

4% = \$46.00

3% = \$34.50

2% = \$23.00

1% = \$11.50



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(b) A political subdivision may lease the equipment from a county in which the political subdivision is wholly or partly situated. If the desired equipment is not available from the county, the political subdivision may acquire it by purchase, lease, or other means from any other source.

(c) If a political subdivision desires to lease equipment owned by a county in which the political subdivision is wholly or partly situated, the county shall lease the equipment to the political subdivision under the terms agreed to by the parties, except that the county's duty to lease the equipment is subject to reasonable restrictions and conditions imposed by the commissioners court to:

(1) ensure availability of the equipment in elections for which the commissioners court adopted the voting system; and

(2) protect the equipment from misuse or damage.

(d) The maximum amount that a county in which a political subdivision is wholly or partly situated may charge the political subdivision for leasing county-owned equipment is 10 percent of the purchase price of the equipment for each day the equipment is leased.

Acts 1985, 69th Leg., ch. 211, Sec. 1, eff. Jan. 1, 1986. Amended by Acts 1993, 73rd Leg., ch. 728, Sec. 44, eff. Sept. 1, 1993.

**Sec. 123.033. ACQUISITION OF EQUIPMENT BY POLITICAL PARTY FOR PRIMARY.** (a)

A political party's county executive committee that desires to use a voting system for a primary election must acquire the equipment necessary for operating the voting system as provided by this section.

(b) The county executive committee may contract to lease the equipment from the county. If the equipment desired is not available from the county, the county executive committee may contract to lease it from any other source.

(c) If the county executive committee desires to lease equipment owned by the county served by the committee, the county shall lease the equipment to the committee under the terms agreed to by the parties, except that the county's duty to lease the equipment is subject to reasonable restrictions and conditions imposed by the commissioners court to:

(1) ensure availability of the equipment in elections for which the commissioners court adopted the voting system; and

(2) protect the equipment from misuse or damage.

(d) A county is not required to provide a political party's county executive committee with equipment for use in an election precinct in which fewer than 100 votes were cast in the political party's most recent general or runoff primary.

(e) The maximum amount that may be charged for leasing equipment to a county executive committee for a general or runoff primary is:

(1) \$5 for each unit of electronic voting system equipment installed at a polling place; and

(2) \$5 for each unit of other equipment not specified by this subsection.

(f) In addition to the amount a county may charge for leasing its equipment under Subsection (e), a county may charge a county executive committee for the actual expenses incurred by the county in:

(1) transporting the equipment to and from the polling places;

(2) preparing the equipment for use in the primary election; and

(3) operating a central counting station for the primary election.

Acts 1985, 69th Leg., ch. 211, Sec. 1, eff. Jan. 1, 1986.

Amended by: Acts 2005, 79th Leg., Ch. 1107 (H.B. 2309), Sec. 2.06, eff. January 1, 2006.

**Sec. 123.034. MAINTENANCE AND STORAGE OF EQUIPMENT.** The governing body of a political subdivision shall provide for the proper maintenance and storage of the equipment that the subdivision acquires for use in the operation of a voting system.