

number of his residence on the register, provided a majority of the judges are satisfied that the person offering to vote is the identical person who is registered, and that he intended to register his true name and residence.

VOTING MACHINES

16-1. Use authorized.

(a) The boards shall provide for the use of voting machines in all elections in accordance with the provisions of this article and under such rules and regulations as the boards may deem advisable or necessary. The boards may purchase, rent, lease or otherwise acquire such number of voting machines as may be required to equip any and all of the polling places in the city or county, as the case may be. In the event of the leasing, rental or other acquisition of such machines, they shall be exempt from State, county or municipal taxation.

(b) At least one voting machine shall be furnished for each unit of ~~five~~ FOUR hundred voters, and an additional machine for every fractional part of such unit; in the case of special elections, however, the board in its discretion may determine the number of machines to be furnished to each polling place.

(c) The boards shall use the powers conferred upon them for the acquisition of voting machines, and shall acquire or have available the necessary number of voting machines for use at all elections; the county commissioners or county councils or the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall provide for the payment of such machines.

(d) The boards in the counties shall have the power to rent or lease voting machines to any municipal corporation, special tax area or other political subdivision in that county, for use in any election or referendum vote in such municipal corporation, special tax area or other political subdivision. The rental or lease shall be on such terms and conditions as may be determined by the board. The board shall account for and pay over to the board of county commissioners or county council all monies received in payment for rentals or leases made under this section, within thirty days after the receipt thereof. Every municipal corporation, special tax area or other political subdivision in the State is hereby authorized and empowered to rent or lease voting machines in this manner, and to use the same in any election or referendum vote within its corporate limits or boundaries, any law, ordinance or resolution to the contrary notwithstanding.

16-2. Borrowing to obtain.

(a) Whenever the board in any county shall decide to purchase voting machines, the board of county commissioners or county council thereof may borrow funds for such purchase and issue individual notes, bonds or evidences of indebtedness for the repayment of the funds and of interest thereon.

(b) In the event general obligation bonds of the county are issued, such bonds may be issued without regard to any limitations upon the borrowing power of the county and the following provisions shall be applicable to such issuance: