As Introduced

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H. B. No. 673

Representatives Ray, Sweeney

A BILL

| To provide for the acquisition of electronic | | |
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| pollbooks and ancillary equipment for county | 2 | |
| boards of elections and to make an | 3 | |
| appropriation. | 4 | |

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. All items in this act are hereby appropriated 5 as designated out of any moneys in the state treasury to the 6 credit of the designated fund. For all operating appropriations 7 made in this act, those in the first column are for fiscal year 8 2022 and those in the second column are for fiscal year 2023. 9 The operating appropriations made in this act are in addition to 10 any other operating appropriations made for the FY 2022-FY 2023 11 biennium and FY 2024-FY 2025 biennium. 12

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12345ADAS DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

B Dedicated Purpose Fund Group

| С | 5CV3 100668 | Electronic Pollbooks | \$0 | \$7,500,000 |
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| D | TOTAL DPF Dedicate | d Purpose Fund Group | \$0 | \$7,500,000 |
| Ε | TOTAL ALL BUDGET F | UND GROUPS | \$0 | \$7,500,000 |

ELECTRONIC POLLBOOKS

The foregoing appropriation item 100668, Electronic15Pollbooks, shall be used by the Office of Procurement Services16within the Department of Administrative Services to pay eighty-17five per cent of the calculated allocation cost of acquiring18electronic pollbooks, as defined in section 3506.05 of the19Revised Code, and ancillary equipment, for county boards of20elections in accordance with this section.21

The Director of Administrative Services, in consultation 22 with the Secretary of State, shall calculate the portion of 23 appropriation item 100668, Electronic Pollbooks, to be allocated 24 to each county board of elections in proportion to the number of 25 registered voters in each county as recorded in the statewide 26 voter registration database as of July 1, 2022. The Office of 27 Procurement Services shall use the funding allocated to each 28 county board of elections for the purchase of electronic 29 pollbooks and ancillary equipment as follows: 30

(A) For electronic pollbooks and ancillary equipment to be 31 purchased after the effective date of this section, upon request 32 by a county board of elections, the Secretary of State shall 33 provide a list of the vendors and electronic pollbooks certified 34 in accordance with section 3506.05 of the Revised Code. The 35 board of elections shall select electronic pollbooks from this 36 list and notify the Office of Procurement Services of its 37 selection. The Office shall purchase the selected electronic 38

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pollbooks and any other necessary equipment on behalf of the 39 board of elections and shall transfer those pollbooks and 40 equipment to the board. The board of elections shall enter into 41 a memorandum of understanding with the applicable board of 42 county commissioners and the Department of Administrative 43 Services concerning those purchases. The board of elections 44 shall be responsible for fifteen per cent of the purchase costs 45 of those pollbooks and ancillary equipment as determined by the 46 Director of Administrative Services and Secretary of State under 47 this section. 48

49 (B) If, prior to the effective date of this section and after the date of December 31, 2019, a board of elections 50 purchased electronic pollbooks or ancillary equipment, the 51 Office of Procurement Services shall reimburse the board of 52 elections for eighty-five per cent of that purchase up to the 53 amount of the allocation as determined by the Director of 54 Administrative Services and Secretary of State under this 55 section. Reimbursement shall be paid to the county general fund. 56

An amount equal to the unexpended, unencumbered portion 57 remaining of the appropriation item 100668, Electronic 58 Pollbooks, is hereby reappropriated for the same purpose in 59 fiscal year 2024. 60

Section 2. Within the limits set forth in this act, the 61 Director of Budget and Management shall establish accounts 62 indicating the source and amount of funds for each appropriation 63 made in this act, and shall determine the form and manner in 64 which appropriation accounts shall be maintained. Expenditures 65 from operating appropriations contained in this act shall be 66 accounted for as though made in H.B. 110 of the 134th General 67 Assembly. The operating appropriations made in this act are 68