## **VOTING EQUIPMENT PURCHASE**

## Per NCGS 163 Elections Laws...

The Jackson County Board of Elections (JCBOE) submitted the amount of \$700,000.00 in the budget for a new Voting equipment system.

JCBOE members participated in a demonstration of all voting equipment certified in NC.

JCBOE determined the Express Vote and DS200 Scanners would best meet the needs of Jackson County voters. JCBOE approved the system during its 9/16/2019 meeting.

JCBOE performed a successful test election on 11/05/2019. The system successfully passed all internal tests, audits, and canvassing processes.

JCBOE requests that the Jackson County Board of Commissioners release approved funds for purchase of new voting equipment system.

JCBOE has negotiated special terms of 50/50 with no interest- January 2020 and July 2020



Federal and State certified Express Vote and DS200 scanner

The current voting equipment (Direct record equipment-DRE) used in Jackson County has been decertified. The State will only extend the deadline if County Board of Elections take full legal responsibility of use of decertified voting systems in 2020 elections. Jackson County Board of Elections declines to take legal reasonability because the current equipment is now at "end of life" stage. This would be too high of a legal risk, and possibility a finical risk to impose on Jackson County