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April 3, 2013

Her Excellency, Governor Margaret Wood Hassan  
and the Honorable Council  
State House  
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Education to pay the General Educational Development Testing Service (Vendor Code 177781) Annual Fee in the amount of \$19,423.50, upon Governor and Council approval for the period effective from May 2, 2013 through June 30, 2013, whichever is later. Funding is from account 06-56-56-7004-0931. These are 100% General Funds.

EXPLANATION

In 2012, 83.4% of the New Hampshire residents taking the General Educational Development test passed and received the High School Equivalency Certificate. The 2012 data is used to establish the annual fee (\$11.50 per person x 1,689 test takers). Since 1971, 73,379 New Hampshire citizens have successfully completed this test. While the age of those taking the test each year ranges from people in their late teens to people over 65, the average age is 24. The GED Certificate is accepted as a high school completion document by most colleges, universities, and businesses. The availability of this test provides a significant alternative to a high school diploma for many New Hampshire adults who want to go on to higher education or upgrade their employment.

The General Educational Development Testing Service provided the testing service to the Department of Education. The Participation Fee is based upon the number of persons taking the test for the first time in each state and is used to prepare the new versions of the test and to design and upgrade security procedures that are necessary for testing centers on the local and state level.

Respectfully submitted,

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INVOICE

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 Invoice No.: GED-122569  
 Invoice Date: March/29/2013  
 Customer No: 3000320050  
 Purchase Order No.:  
 Ref. GED Order No. GED464160  
 Payment Terms: Net 30  
 Due Date: April/28/2013

Please Remit To:

American Council on Education  
 GED Testing Service  
 PO Box 418762  
 Boston MA 02241-8762  
 United States

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Customer:

State Department of Education  
 21 South Fruit Street  
 Suite 20  
 Concord NH 03301  
 United States

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE: \$19,423.50

Amount Remitted

For billing questions, please call: 202-621-1622 American Council on Education - GED Testing Service - Inv. No.: GED-122569

Line	Item Id	Description	Quantity/UOM	Unit Amt	Net Amount
1	ANNPPFE	Annual Per Person Fee	1,689 EA	11.50	19,423.50
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT DUE:</b>					<b>\$19,423.50</b>

Please note the INVOICE NUMBER on all remittances.  
 Thank you!