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retroactive

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

REQUESTED ACTION

The Department of Cultural Resources requests permission to make a one time **retro-active unencumbered** payment to Harry-O Electrical, Loudon (Vendor code 156470) in the amount of \$1,222.00 for repairs to the fire alarm at the Contoocook Covered Bridge effective upon Governor and Council approval.

100% Other Funds.

Funds are available in the account titled Administration Support as follows:

	<u>FY2014</u>
01-34-34-340010-69990000-054-500528 Trust Fund Expenditures	\$1,222.00

EXPLANATION

The Contoocook Covered Bridge is the oldest covered railroad bridge still standing in the United States. It is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and owned by the Department of Cultural Resources, Division of Historical Resources. In partnership with the Department of Transportation the bridge was rehabilitated in 2009 and a fire protections system was added.

In September 2013 we were notified by the fire alarm monitoring company that there was a problem with the alarm. Working with PSNH, the alarm company and Harry-O Electrical it was determined that the main and side boards needed to be replaced. A short form contract was executed and the work was performed.

In November the fire alarm system again failed. The decision was made to have the original vendor continue with their work so that tasks would not be duplicated at an additional cost to the department. Harry-O Electrical was called back to further access the problem. It was determined that new arrestors were needed to support the mother boards that had been replaced. After repeated tests the correct arrestors and batteries have been installed and we have had no further problems with the alarm.

Respectfully submitted

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 Commissioner

