



# House of Representatives

General Assembly

**File No. 470**

*January Session, 2013*

House Bill No. 6625

*House of Representatives, April 11, 2013*

The Committee on Education reported through REP. FLEISCHMANN of the 18th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE GENERAL EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT TESTING PROGRAM.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2013*) On and after July 1, 2014,  
2 any testing service providing an examination described in subdivision  
3 (1) of subsection (a) of section 10-5 of the general statutes and  
4 approved by the Commissioner of Education pursuant to said  
5 subdivision (1) shall make available to the Department of Education  
6 data relating to such examination. Such data shall include, but not be  
7 limited to, (1) individual scores of persons taking such examination,  
8 and (2) annual aggregate data relating to such examination, including,  
9 but not limited to, examination scores and results, demographic data  
10 of persons taking such examination, the total number of persons taking  
11 such examination and the total number of persons taking such  
12 examination at each testing location.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2013</i>	New section

**ED**      *Joint Favorable*

The following Fiscal Impact Statement and Bill Analysis are prepared for the benefit of the members of the General Assembly, solely for purposes of information, summarization and explanation and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof for any purpose. In general, fiscal impacts are based upon a variety of informational sources, including the analyst's professional knowledge. Whenever applicable, agency data is consulted as part of the analysis, however final products do not necessarily reflect an assessment from any specific department.

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**OFA Fiscal Note**

**State Impact:**

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 14 \$	FY 15 \$
Education, Dept.	GF - Cost	10,000	10,000

**Municipal Impact:** None

**Explanation**

The bill results in a \$10,000 cost to the State Department of Education (SDE), in FY 14, associated with amending their contract with the testing service who administers the high school diploma equivalency examination, to allow the testing service to share specific information, required under the bill, with SDE. The annual cost of the contract is anticipated to increase from \$800,000 to \$810,000.

**The Out Years**

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to inflation.

**OLR Bill Analysis****HB 6625*****AN ACT CONCERNING THE GENERAL EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT TESTING PROGRAM.*****SUMMARY:**

Starting July 1, 2014, this bill requires General Educational Development testing services (e.g., those administering the high school diploma equivalency examination) to share examination data with the State Department of Education. The data must include individual test scores and the following annual aggregate data: (1) exam scores and results, (2) demographics of exam takers, and (3) the number of exam takers at each testing location and in total.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2013

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Education Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 33 Nay 0 (03/22/2013)