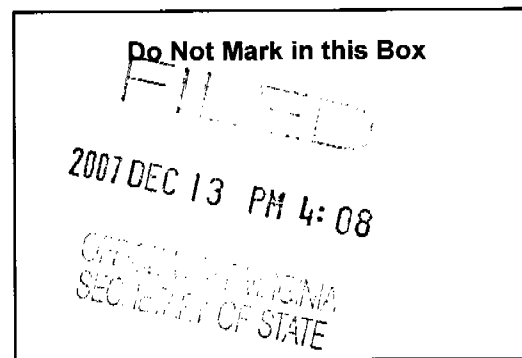


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Form #2



NOTICE OF A COMMENT PERIOD ON A PROPOSED RULE

AGENCY: West Virginia Board of Education TITLE NUMBER: 126

RULE TYPE: Legislative; CITE AUTHORITY: W. Va. Constitution, Article XII, §2 and W. Va. Code §18-2-5

AMENDMENT TO AN EXISTING RULE: YES  NO

IF YES, SERIES NUMBER OF RULE BEING AMENDED: 32

TITLE OF RULE BEING AMENDED: Issuance of the State of West Virginia High School Equivalency Diploma Based Upon Passages of the General Educational Develop (GED®) Tests (2444.4)

IF NO, SERIES NUMBER OF NEW RULE BEING PROPOSED: \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE OF RULE BEING PROPOSED: \_\_\_\_\_

IN LIEU OF A PUBLIC HEARING, A COMMENT PERIOD HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED DURING WHICH ANY INTERESTED PERSON MAY SEND COMMENTS CONCERNING THESE PROPOSED RULES. THIS COMMENT PERIOD WILL END ON January 14, 2008 AT 4:00 p.m. ONLY WRITTEN COMMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED AND ARE TO BE MAILED TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS:

Debra Kimbler, Coordinator

GED Office

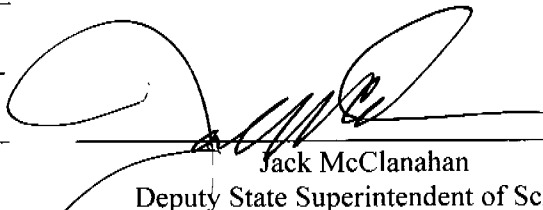
West Virginia Department of Education

Capitol Building 6, Room 250

1900 Kanawha Boulevard, East

Charleston, West Virginia 25305-0330

COMMENTS TO BE CONSIDERED ARE LIMITED TO THIS PROPOSED RULE.

  
Jack McClanahan  
Deputy State Superintendent of Schools

ATTACH A **BRIEF** SUMMARY OF YOUR PROPOSAL

# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

## WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF EDUCATION

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### Policy Number and Title:

Policy 2444.4  
Issuance of the State of West Virginia High School Equivalency Diploma  
Based Upon Passage of the General Educational Development (GED®)  
Tests

### Background:

The General Educational Development (GED) Tests provide an average of over 5,000 West Virginians per year a method to document that they have acquired the academic skills equivalent to a high school education.

### Proposals:

Revisions are being proposed to:

“GED” is a registered trademark of the American Council on Education (ACE®). The first time the mark is used, it should include the registration symbol ®. This one time should suffice for the entire form/document/publication.

Suspend the three year completion rule. Credits received in high school are not removed from a student’s record; thus, forcing the student to start over acquiring credits. In addition, the GED candidate may take the expired scores to a neighboring state and continue testing. (See Section 4.4.)

Require individuals to pass the Official GED Practice Test (OPT) achieving a minimum score of 410 on each individual subtest with a total score of 2250 as evidenced by written documentation from an Adult Basic Education (ABE) instructor. Passing the OPT is a very good indication that the individual will pass the GED Tests and should increase the GED passing rate for WV. If passing scores are not achieved, free classes are offered to prepare in areas of weakness. (See Section 4.2)

Change terminology to match terminology used in the American Council on Education GED Testing Service Policy. (See Section 5.2.2.)

Suspend the requirement for the eighteen (18) year old candidate to be withdrawn from the regular classroom for three months. Since an eighteen (18) year old is an adult, he/she should only have to provide documentation that he/she has withdrawn from the regular classroom and pass the OPT. (See Section 5.2.1.)

Require the seventeen (17) year old and the sixteen (16) year old to be withdrawn from the public school system for one month since this amount of time allows ample time for the seventeen (17) year old and the sixteen (16) year old GED candidate to decide to return to the regular classroom. Until sixteen (16) and seventeen (17) year olds are required to remain in school or until the GED Option is adopted by the West Virginia Board of Education, a second opportunity to obtain a high school diploma should be available. In addition, obtaining a GED diploma helps counties to count the GED graduate as a completer rather than a dropout, thus aiding counties with their dropout rates. (See Section 5.3.)

Suspend the requirement for the seventeen (17) year old GED candidate to provide a statement on official letterhead from an employer, military recruiter, college admission officer, or vocational technical director evidencing acceptance/promotion of the candidate once he/she passes the GED Tests since this requirement creates an obstacle that some cannot obtain because the individual lacks a high school diploma or GED. (See Section 5.3.1.)

Require the seventeen (17) year-old and the sixteen (16) year old GED candidates to pass the Official GED Practice Test (OPT). Sometimes the inability to pass the OPT will help make the decision for the candidate to return to school. (See Sections 5.3.2. and 5.4.3.)

Allow the Mountaineer Challenge Academy cadet to use the Mountaineer Challenge Academy's photo identification during the post-residential phase of the program by presenting the Mountaineer Challenge Academy transcript or a letter from the academy. (See Section 5.4.4.)

Allow GED candidates who are participating in a government program or in a state-operated institutional facility to continue testing once they leave the program. (See Section 5.8.)

Allow qualified personnel of a detention center or group care facility to access the educational needs of the child and to determine if the child should be allowed to take the GED. (See Section 5.7.2.)

Define how GED scores are confidential information.

Insert the word "replacement" copy of the diploma so that the GED graduate will know that the replacement diploma will not be a copy of the original diploma.

**Impact:**

Policy 2444.4 provides guidance, technical assistance and assurance of compliance with the American Council on Education's GED Testing Service requirements for the administration of the GED Tests. It includes changes in West Virginia's eligibility requirements for sixteen (16), seventeen (17), and eighteen (18) year olds, allows the GED candidate to continue testing after leaving a government program or a state-operated institutional facility, and allows qualified personnel at a detention center or group care facility to determine if the GED is the right prescription for the students placed in their care.

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SERIES 32  
ISSUANCE OF THE STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY  
DIPLOMA BASED UPON PASSAGE OF THE GENERAL EDUCATIONAL  
DEVELOPMENT (GED®) TESTS (2444.4)

**§126-32-1. General.**

1.1. Scope. -- The purpose of the State of West Virginia High School Equivalency Diploma is to provide appropriate recognition of educational attainment to those individuals who have demonstrated that they have attained academic skills equivalent to those at the high school completion level by satisfactorily passing the General Educational Development (GED) Tests.

1.1.1. The GED Tests mirror the core content and performance standards reflected at the national and state levels and demonstrate the attainment of developed abilities acquired through completion of a four-year high school program of study (Woodward, Katherine S., Alignment of National and State Standards, A Report by the GED Testing Service. American Council on Education, GED Testing Service, 1999).

1.2. Authority. -- West Virginia Constitution, Article XII, Section 2; W. Va. Code §18-2-5.

1.3. Filing Date. -- ~~February 13, 2004.~~

1.4. Effective Date. -- ~~March 15, 2004.~~

1.5. Repeal of Former Rule. This legislative rule amends W. Va. §126CSR32, West Virginia Board of Education (WVBE) Policy 2444.4, Issuance of the State of West Virginia High School Equivalency Diploma Based Upon Passage of the General Educational Development (GED) Tests, Filed February 13, 2004 and effective March 15, 2004.

**§126-32-2. State of West Virginia High School Equivalency Diploma.**

2.1. The West Virginia Department of Education, hereinafter State Department, issues a State of West Virginia High School Equivalency Diploma based upon satisfactory scores earned on the GED Tests. These tests are prepared by the General Educational Development Testing Service (GEDTS) as an agent of the American Council on Education. The State of West Virginia High School Equivalency Diploma is issued only by the State Department.

**§126-32-3. Applying for Testing.**

3.1. Until such time as the West Virginia GED Testing program registration is centralized, all applicants must register for the GED Tests in person at least five business days prior to testing at the site designated by the local testing site.

3.2. First time applicants are required to complete the local GED Testing Orientation Seminar which includes completion of the demographic form, viewing of the calculator and alternate format video, calculator practice exercises, and the registration form.

3.3. A valid and current state-issued photo identification, i.e., driver's license, state alternative identification, military identification or a valid passport, with current name, birth date, and preferably a Social Security number will be required prior to and during all testing sessions. Failure to present applicable photo identification will result in a loss of testing privilege until such identification is presented. (See also 6.1.)

**§126-32-4. Basis for Granting the State of West Virginia High School Equivalency Diploma.**

4.1. The State Department requires that applicants taking the GED Tests achieve a minimum passing score of 2250 or above on the battery of five subtests and a standard score of not lower than 410 on any one of the five subtests.

~~4.42. Individuals who need to retest must successfully complete all sections of the GED within three years of initial testing in order to receive the State of West Virginia High School Equivalency Diploma. Prior to taking the GED Tests, individuals must pass the Official GED Practice Test (OPT) achieving a minimum score of 410 on each individual subtest with a total score of 2250 as evidenced by written documentation from an Adult Basic Education (ABE) instructor.~~

4.3. The State Department and GEDTS requires that the initial battery testing be completed within six weeks, or no more than two consecutive complete test sessions (whichever is longer in duration). First time examinees are expected to take two or more subtests per testing session except as provided by the GEDTS accommodations policy.

4.24. Individuals passing the GED Tests will receive a State of West Virginia High School Equivalency Diploma.

**§126-32-5. Testing of Individuals Eighteen (18) Years of Age and Younger.**

5.1. For the purposes of GED testing, the official dropout date shall be defined as, "the school day after the student's last day of attendance," as outlined in W. Va. 126CSR81, West Virginia Board of Education Policy 4110, "Attendance."

5.2. Individuals who are eighteen (18) years of age are eligible to test by qualifying under any of the following categories:

5.2.21. The candidate's original high school class has graduated before the candidate makes application for GED testing as evidenced by written documentation from the last school/system attended. Documentation must include the withdrawal date as indicated in Section 5.1. and the original class graduation date. The candidate must also take and pass the Official GED Practice Test (OPT) achieving a minimum score of 410 on each individual subtest with a total score of 2250 as evidenced by written documentation from an Adult Basic Education (ABE)

instructor; or

5.2.12. The candidate has been officially withdrawn from a ~~traditional classroom situation~~ “regular” high school (a secondary school characterized as a “regular” accredited high school by the jurisdiction as defined by the American Council on Education GED Testing Services), i.e., officially withdrawn or home-schooled, ~~for a period of three months prior to test registration as evidenced by written documentation from the last school/system attended or by written documentation from the county attendance director for the home-schooled student.~~ Documentation must include the withdrawal date as indicated in Section 5.1. or home-school dates, and the original class graduation date. The candidate must also take and pass the Official GED Practice Test (OPT) achieving a minimum score of 410 on each individual subtest with a total score of 2250 as evidenced by written documentation from an Adult Basic Education (ABE) instructor.

~~5.2.3. The candidate, at least eighteen (18) years of age, who does not meet all criteria for test eligibility, but believes extraordinary circumstances exist, may request an exemption to take the GED Tests from the local school superintendent where the candidate resides. If the superintendent recommends that the eighteen (18) year old be allowed to take the GED Tests, the superintendent shall mail or fax the recommendation to the State GED Coordinator for final approval. The superintendent, the eighteen (18) year old, and the local GED Examiner will be notified in writing of the State GED Coordinator’s final decision. If the exemption is granted, the candidate must officially withdraw from the last school/system attended as evidenced by written documentation, or the candidate must have been home-schooled as evidenced by written documentation from the county home school monitor. Documentation must include withdrawal date as indicated in Section 5.1., or home-school dates, and the original class graduation date.~~

5.3. Individuals who are sixteen (16) or seventeen (17) years of age are eligible to test by qualifying under any of the following categories:

5.3.21. The candidate’s original high school class has graduated before the candidate makes application for GED testing as evidenced by written documentation from the last school/system attended. Documentation must include the withdrawal date as indicated in Section 5.1. and the original class graduation date. The candidate must take and pass the Official GED Practice Test (OPT) achieving a minimum score of 410 on each individual subtest with a total score of 2250 as evidenced by written documentation from an Adult Basic Education (ABE) instructor; or ~~The candidate must also provide a statement on official letterhead from an employer, military recruiter, college admission officer, or vocational technical director evidencing acceptance/promotion of the candidate once he/she passes the GED Tests.~~

5.3.12. The candidate has been officially withdrawn from a ~~traditional classroom situation~~ “regular” high school (a secondary school characterized as a “regular” accredited high school by the jurisdiction as defined by the American Council on Education GED Testing Services), i.e., officially withdrawn or home-schooled for a period of ~~six~~ one months prior to test registration as evidenced by written documentation from the last school/system attended or ~~written documentation from the county attendance director for the home-schooled student.~~ Documentation must include the withdrawal date as indicated in Section 5.1., or home-school dates, and the original class graduation date. The sixteen (16) or seventeen (17) years of age candidate must also provide a statement on official letterhead from an employer, military

~~recruiter, college admission officer, or vocational technical director evidencing acceptance/promotion of the candidate once he/she passes the GED Tests; or, take and pass the Official GED Practice Test (OPT) achieving a minimum score of 410 on each individual subtest with a total score of 2250 as evidenced by written documentation from an Adult Basic Education (ABE) instructor.~~

~~5.3.3 The candidate, at least seventeen (17) years of age, who does not meet all criteria for test eligibility, but believes extraordinary circumstances exist, may request an exemption to take the GED Tests from the local school superintendent where the candidate resides. If the superintendent recommends that the seventeen (17) year old be allowed to take the GED Tests, the superintendent shall mail or fax the recommendation to the State GED Coordinator for final approval. The superintendent, the seventeen (17) year old, and the local GED Examiner will be notified in writing of the State GED Coordinator's final decision. If the exemption is granted, the candidate must officially withdraw from the last school/system attended as evidenced by written documentation, or the candidate must have been home schooled as evidenced by written documentation from the county home school monitor. Documentation must include the withdrawal date as indicated in Section 5.1., or home-schooled dates, and the original class graduation date. The seventeen (17) year old must also provide a statement on official letterhead from an employer, military recruiter, college admission officer, or vocational technical director evidencing acceptance/promotion of the candidate once he/she passes the GED Tests.~~

~~5.4. Individuals who are sixteen (16) years of age are eligible to test by qualifying under the following category:~~

~~5.4.1. The candidate, at least sixteen (16) years of age who believes extraordinary circumstances exist, may request an exemption to take the GED Tests from the local school superintendent where the candidate resides. If the superintendent recommends that the sixteen (16) year old be allowed to take the GED Tests, the superintendent shall mail or fax the recommendation to the State GED Coordinator for final approval. The superintendent, the sixteen (16) year old, and the local GED Examiner will be notified in writing of the State GED Coordinator's final decision. If the exemption is granted, the candidate must officially withdraw from the last school/system attended as evidenced by written documentation, or the candidate must have been home schooled as evidenced by written documentation from the county home-school monitor. Documentation must include the withdrawal date as indicated in Section 5.1., or home-school dates, and the original class graduation date. The sixteen (16) year old must also provide a statement on official letterhead from an employer, military recruiter, college admission officer, or vocational technical director evidencing acceptance/promotion of the candidate once he/she passes the GED Tests.~~

~~5.54. Examinees, at least sixteen (16), seventeen (17), or eighteen (18) years of age, who are participating in a residential, non-residential, or post-residential government program, i.e., Job Corps, Mountaineer Challenge Academy and/or other approved career focused federal residential programs, may be tested provided that the following conditions are met:~~

~~5.54.1. The candidate has been officially withdrawn from a traditional classroom "regular" high school (a secondary school characterized as a "regular" accredited high school by the jurisdiction as defined by the American Council on Education GED Testing Services) situation at least 30 days prior to testing as evidenced by written documentation: from~~

the last school/system attended, and

~~5.54.2. The candidate has completed a vocational/prescribed training or has submitted a signed letter of intent to acquire further education along with a letter of admission from an institution of higher education taken the OPT as evidenced by written documentation from an instructor at the facility.~~

~~5.54.3. Documentation of 5.54.1. and 5.54.2. shall be submitted to the GED Examiner at registration and/or with registration materials. If the candidate does not pass the GED Tests while a participant in a residential government program, in order to continue testing upon release, the examinee must qualify under Sections 3.1., 3.2., 3.3., 4.1., 4.2., 4.3., 4.4., 5.1., 5.2., 5.3., and/or 5.4 of W. Va. 126CSR32, West Virginia Board of Education Policy 2444.4, "Issuance of the State of West Virginia High School Equivalency Diploma".~~

~~5.4.4. A Mountaineer Challenge Academy cadet desiring to retest during the post-residential phase, which lasts one year from graduation date, may use the Mountaineer Challenge Academy's photo identification if documentation reflecting the cadet's graduation date is presented to the GED Examiner.~~

~~5.65. Individuals who are sixteen (16), seventeen (17), or eighteen (18) years of age and are residents of a West Virginia state-operated institutional facility may take the tests while the examinee is under the control of the facility, or the individual must otherwise qualify under the afore-stated guidelines to complete testing or to re-test upon release unless:~~

~~5.6.1. Court-ordered to continue testing, or~~

~~5.6.2. GED testing is part of a court-approved after-care plan.~~

~~5.76. Adjudicated youth sixteen (16), seventeen (17), or eighteen (18) years of age, who are under the control of a court, detention center, group care facility, or probation office may be admitted to GED testing by court order even if they are still enrolled in school, qualifying under any of the following categories:~~

~~5.76.1. The Education Director (from state approved group care facilities), probation officer or judge must submit to the applicable Chief GED Examiner an official court order or a letter from a judge, or probation officer stating that the individual shall be admitted for GED testing. Adjudicated youth with a court order from a judge or an order from a magistrate designated as a juvenile referee is to be admitted for GED testing, even if the individual is still enrolled in school; or~~

~~5.6.2. Upon entering the control of a detention center or group care facility, an assessment that addresses the educational needs of the child is to be conducted by qualified personnel of the facility. If it is determined that there is no reasonable expectation of graduation from the "regular" high school (a secondary school characterized as a "regular" accredited high school by the jurisdiction as defined by the American Council on Education GED Testing Services) and if the possibility of being placed at a long-term instate facility is very unlikely, the youth may be admitted to GED Testing. Prior to testing, the GED candidate must be officially transferred from the public school system to the detention center or group care facility as~~

evidenced by written documentation from the last school/system attended and must pass the OPT as evidenced by written documentation from an instructor at the facility.

5.7.2 All youth who have taken the GED Tests as per section 5.5-5.76., but did not pass the GED and are no longer a resident of a government program or are no longer a resident of a West Virginia state-operated institutional facility or are no longer adjudicated, ~~must otherwise qualify under Sections 3.1., 3.2., 3.3., 4.1., 4.2., 4.3., 4.4., 5.1., 5.2., 5.3. and/or 5.4. of W. Va. 126CSR32, West Virginia Board of Education Policy 2444.4, "Issuance of the State of West Virginia High School Equivalency Diploma Based upon Passage of the General Educational Development (GED) Tests".~~ are eligible to continue testing upon completion of the program or upon release by presenting state issued photo identification and qualifying under either of the following categories:

5.7.1. A copy of a court order from a judge or an order from a magistrate, designated as a juvenile referee, is provided for the GED Examiner. The order must state that the individual is to take the GED tests. Such an order allows an individual, sixteen (16), seventeen (17), or eighteen (18) years of age, to test even if the individual is still enrolled in school; or

5.7.2. The GED candidate's previous scores are located in the GED databank indicating to the GED Examiner that the previous GED Examiner obtained all necessary documentation needed for testing.

#### **§126-32-6. Residence.**

6.1. Persons meeting all criteria and demonstrating themselves eligible under the State of West Virginia High School Equivalency Diploma guidelines shall be admitted to GED testing for the purpose of securing a State of West Virginia High School Equivalency Diploma. The candidate must present clear, current, state-issued photo identification, i.e., driver's license, state alternative identification, military identification or a valid passport. The GED Examiner may request further proof or other pertinent documentation as evidence of identity, i.e., birth certificate, Social Security card, etc.

#### **§126-32-7. Transcripts of Scores.**

7.1. The fact that a person has or has not taken the GED Tests is confidential information since disclosing participation in the GED Testing Program is tantamount to reporting the absence of a traditional high school diploma. Therefore, no name of a credential recipient will be released unless an individual candidate has signed written permission to release the information. Nevertheless, the GED candidate when registering for the GED Test agrees that information will be shared with necessary West Virginia public school systems for data sharing purposes.

7.2. The original copy of the transcript and diploma shall be issued at no cost. Persons requesting a duplicate GED transcript and/or a replacement copy of their State of West Virginia High School Equivalency Diploma as evidenced by passing the GED Tests must do so in writing to the State GED Office. The request must originate from the graduate and include the name under which testing occurred, Social Security number, date of birth, place and year of testing, daytime phone number, a copy of a current and valid state-issued photo identification, an original signature and designation as to whom the copy is to be sent. In addition, a check or money order

for the research/printing fee, which is determined by the State Department's GED Office, must be included for each transcript requested. No requests, including those for correctional purposes, military enlistment, job placement, or test verification, will be honored without the research/printing fee. All requests must be submitted to the West Virginia Department of Education, GED Office, Capitol Complex, Building 6 Room 250, 1900 Kanawha Boulevard East, Charleston, WV 25305.

**§126-32-8. Falsification of GED Tests Information and/or Center Violations.**

8.1. Falsification of Test Information or Personal Security Violations.

8.1.1. Any falsification of information and/or cheating on the GED Tests will result in penalties as outlined in the West Virginia GED Examiners' Manual, "West Virginia GED Security and Administrative Procedures," and as directed by GEDTS regulations.

8.2. Security Compromises in Centers.

8.2.1. Testing center violations will be processed according to the procedures outlined in the West Virginia GED Examiners' Manual, "West Virginia GED Security and Administrative Procedures."

**§126-32-9. Testing Fees.**

9.1. Testing fees shall be established as outlined in the West Virginia GED Examiners' Manual, "West Virginia GED Security and Administrative Procedures." Changes of GED Tests fees by local testing centers must be approved by the State GED Office.

**§126-32-10. All correspondence regarding this policy should be directed to:**

10.1. State GED Coordinator.

GED Office  
West Virginia Department of Education  
Capitol Complex, Building 6, Room 250  
1900 Kanawha Boulevard, East  
Charleston, West Virginia 25305-0330  
(304) 558-6315.

**§126-32-11. Severability.**

11.1. If any provision of this rule or the application thereof to any person or circumstances is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this rule.

## FISCAL NOTE WORKSHEET

(Submit 4 Copies)

HD NO \_\_\_\_\_ DRAFT NO \_\_\_\_\_ BILL NO \_\_\_\_\_ RESOLUTION NO \_\_\_\_\_

SUBJECT Policy 2444.4 Issuance of the State of West Virginia High School Equivalency Diploma FUND \_\_\_\_\_

SOURCE OF REVENUE:  GENERAL FUND  SPECIAL  OTHER (SPECIFY) \_\_\_\_\_

COST OF ESTIMATE BASED ON:  AN ORIGINAL ESTIMATE  BUDGET BILL  OTHER (SPECIFY) \_\_\_\_\_

INCOME ESTIMATE BASED ON:  AN ORIGINAL ESTIMATE  BUDGET BILL  OTHER (SPECIFY) \_\_\_\_\_

**SHOW OVER-ALL EFFECT IN ITEMS 1 AND 2 & GIVE EXPLANATION OF BREAKDOWN BY FISCAL YEAR INCLUDING LONG-RANGE EFFECT**

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3. EXPLANATION OF ABOVE ESTIMATES (INCLUDING LONG-RANGE EFFECT):

DATE

AGENCY

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

11-21-07

West Virginia Department of Education

Jack McClanahan, Deputy State Superintendent

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**POLICY 2444.4: Issuance of the State of West Virginia High School Equivalency Diploma Based Upon Passage of the General Educational Development (GED®) Tests**

**COMMENT PERIOD ENDS: January 14, 2008**

**COMMENT RESPONSE FORM**

The following form is provided to assist those who choose to comment on Policy 2444.4: Issuance of the State of West Virginia High School Equivalency Diploma Based Upon Passage of the General Educational Development (GED®) Tests

Additional sheets may be attached, if necessary.

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**COMMENTS/SUGGESTIONS**

**§126-31-1. General.**

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**§126 -32-2. State of West Virginia High School Equivalency Diploma.**

**§126-32-3. Applying for Testing.**

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