

**ADVISORY GROUP ON** Efficiency and Benchmarking **PROPOSAL #:** AGEB # 5  
**SUBJECT:** Department of Public Safety and Corrections - GED Program **DATE ADOPTED BY ADVISORY GROUP:** September 9, 2009  
**COMMISSION ACTION:** AMENDED / ADOPTED **DATE:** November 17, 2009 **RECOMMENDATION #:** 143

**RECOMMENDATION:** Provide that a Louisiana state prisoner, who does not have a high school diploma or who has not passed the General Education Development test (GED) certifying that he has American high school academic skills, shall have made available to him a program designed to help him pass the GED.

Summary Description/Nature of Change	Key/Implementation Responsibilities	Need	Action Needed	Benefit/Saving	Done/ Study
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