OFFICE OF CHIEF ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICER Summary of the State Board of Education Agenda Items May 18, 2023

OFFICE OF STUDENT ASSESSMENT

02.D. Action: Contract with Houghton Mifflin Harcourt (HMH) for Fiscal Year 2024 to administer the English Language Arts and Mathematics in grades 3-8; Science Grades 5 & 8; and High School Algebra I, English II, and Biology I as part of the Mississippi Academic Assessment Program - Alternate, (MAAP-A) for students with Significant Cognitive Disabilities (SCD) [Goals 1 and 2 – MBE Strategic Plan]

Awarded Vendor: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt (HMH)

Boston, MA

<u>Scope of Project</u>: HMH acquired assets from NWEA on April 28, 2023. HMH will continue to provide products and technical services for the Mississippi Academic Assessment Program – Alternate (MAAP-A). This MAAP-A contract includes services for Fiscal Year 2024. The contractor will provide services and products related to programmatic, development, technical, and psychometric assessment activities of these assessments for the ninth year of a ten-year procurement including, but not limited to, the following:

- Fall testing of 4x4 EOC SCD students
- In-person item writing meetings with teachers of SCD students
- New Development of Math and Science Scenarios and English Passages for MAAP-A tasks

This is year nine (9) of a ten (10) year contract. Renewal of contract shall be contingent upon the successful completion of services from the preceding fiscal year's contract and the availability of funds. Personnel associated with this contract are not former Department employees or related to any Department employee.

Scope of Contract:

Term of Contract: July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024

Amount to be Awarded: \$2,158,311

Method of Award: Request for Proposals

Funding Source: Federal and General Funds

This item references Goal 1 and 2 of the *Mississippi Board of Education Strategic Plan*.

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material: None

Mississippi Academic Assessment Program, Alternate (MAAP-A) English Language Arts, Mathematics – Grades 3-8 Grades 5 & 8 Science

Alternate English II, Alternate Biology, Alternate Algebra I (EOC)

Questar Assessment, Inc.	AWARDED AMOUNT
Year 1	\$1,798,128.00
Year 2	\$3,300,000.00
Year 3	\$2,300,000.00
Year 4	\$2,201,470.00
Year 5	\$2,201,424.00
Year 6	\$1,964,182.00
Year 7	\$1,068,623.00
Total	\$14,833,827.00

NWEA	AWARDED AMOUNT
Year 7	\$ 1,068,623.00
Year 8	\$ 2,158,311.00
Total	\$ 3,226,934.00

НМН	AWARDED AMOUNT
Year 9	\$ 2,158,311.00
Year 10	
Total	\$ 2,158,311.00