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## COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

### Agenda and Notice of Public Meetings of the Massachusetts Advisory Committee

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights and the Federal Advisory Committee Act, that planning and briefing meetings of the Massachusetts Advisory Committee will convene from 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, July 20, 2010, at the Lawrence Main Library, 51 Lawrence Street, Lawrence, Massachusetts 01841. The purpose of the planning and briefing meeting is to examine civil rights issues in Lawrence, MA. The purpose of the planning meeting is to discuss the Committee's next steps.

Members of the public are entitled to submit written comments; the comments must be received in the regional office by Thursday, August 19, 2010. The address is: U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, Eastern Regional Office, 624 Ninth Street, NW., Suite 740, Washington, DC 20425. Persons wishing to e-mail their comments, or who desire additional information should contact the Eastern Regional Office at 202-376-7533 or by e-mail to: [ero@usccr.gov](mailto:ero@usccr.gov).

Hearing-impaired persons who will attend the meeting and require the services of a sign language interpreter should contact the Regional Office at least ten (10) working days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

Records generated from this meeting may be inspected and reproduced at the Eastern Regional Office, as they become available, both before and after the meeting. Persons interested in the work of this advisory committee are advised to go to the Commission's Web site, <http://www.usccr.gov>, or to contact the Eastern Regional Office at the above e-mail or street address.

The meeting will be conducted pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Commission and FACA.

Dated in Washington, DC, June 18, 2010.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### U.S. Census Bureau

#### Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Survey of Income and Program Participation (SIPP) 2011 Re-engineered SIPP—Field Test

**AGENCY:** U.S. Census Bureau.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

**DATES:** To ensure consideration, written comments must be submitted on or before August 23, 2010.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at [dHynek@doc.gov](mailto:dHynek@doc.gov)).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Patrick J. Benton, Census Bureau, Room HQ-6H045, Washington, DC 20233-8400, (301) 763-4618.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Abstract

The Census Bureau plans to conduct a field test for the Re-engineered SIPP from January to May of 2011. The SIPP is a household-based survey designed as a continuous series of national panels. The SIPP is molded around a central "core" of labor force and income questions that remain fixed throughout

the life of the panel and then supplemented with questions designed to address specific needs. Examples of these types of questions include medical expenses, child care, retirement and pension plan coverage, marital history, and others.

The 2011 Re-engineered SIPP instrument is a revision of the 2010 Re-SIPP test instrument, in which respondents were interviewed during the 2010 Dress Rehearsal Re-SIPP Field Test. The Re-engineered SIPP will interview respondents in one year intervals, using the previous calendar year as the reference period.

The content of the Re-engineered SIPP will match that of the 2008 Panel SIPP very closely. The Re-engineered SIPP will not contain free-standing topical modules. However, a portion of the 2008 Panel topical module content will be integrated into the Re-engineered SIPP interview. The Re-engineered SIPP will use an Event History Calendar (EHC) which records dates of events and spells of coverage. The EHC should provide increased accuracy to dates reported by respondents.

The SIPP represents a source of information for a wide variety of topics and allows information for separate topics to be integrated to form a single, unified database so that the interaction between tax, transfer, and other government and private policies can be examined. Government domestic policy formulators depend heavily upon the SIPP information concerning the distribution of income received directly as money or indirectly as in-kind benefits and the effect of tax and transfer programs on this distribution. They also need improved and expanded data on the income and general economic and financial situation of the U.S. population, which the SIPP has provided on a continuing basis since 1983. The SIPP has measured levels of economic well-being and permitted changes in these levels to be measured over time.

Approximately 4,000 households will be selected for the 2011 Re-engineered SIPP field test, of which, 3200 households are expected to be interviewed. We estimate that each household contains 2.1 people aged 15 and above, yielding approximately 6,720 person-level interviews in this field test. Interviews take 60 minutes on average. The total annual burden for