

performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Approved: April 11, 2002.

Glenn P. Kirkland,

IRS Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0209]

Proposed Information Collection Activity: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed revision of a currently approved collection and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments for information needed to determine a claimant's eligibility for work-study benefits.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before June 24, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information to Nancy J. Kessinger, Veterans Benefits Administration (20S52), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420 or e-mail: irmnkess@vba.va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0209" in any correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nancy J. Kessinger at (202) 273-7079 or FAX (202) 275-5947.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA of 1995 (Public Law 104-13; 44 U.S.C., 3501-3520), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, VBA invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of VBA's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of VBA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

Titles:

a. Application for Work-Study Allowance (38 Up.So.CA. Chapters 30, 31, 32 and 35; 10 Up.So.CA Chapter 1606), VA Form 22-8691.

b. Student Work-Study Agreement (Student Services), VA Form 22-8692.

c. Extended Student Work-Study Agreement, VA Form 22-8692a.

d. Work-Study Agreement (Student Services), VA Form 22-8692b.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0209.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Abstract:

a. Eligible veterans, Selected Reservists, and survivors or dependents complete VA Form 22-8691 to apply for work-study benefits.

b. VA Form 22-8692 is used by claimants to request an advance payment of work-study allowance.

c. VA Form 22-8692a is used by the claimant to extend his or her contract.

d. A claimant who doesn't want the work-study advanced allowance payment uses VA Form 22-8692b.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 9,184.

a. Application for Work-Study Allowance (38 Up.So.CA. Chapters 30, 31, 32 and 35; 10 Up.So.CA Chapter 1606), VA Form 22-8961 " 5,500 hours.

b. Student Work-Study Agreement (Student Services), VA Form 22-8692-1,667 hours.

c. Extended Student Work-Study Agreement, VA Form 22-8692a-350 hours.

d. Work-Study Agreement (Student Services), VA Form 22-8692b-1,667 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 7 minutes.

a. Application for Work-Study Allowance (38 Up.So.CA. Chapters 30, 31, 32 and 35; 10 Up.So.CA Chapter 1606), VA Form 22-8961-10 minutes.

b. Student Work-Study Agreement (Student Services), VA Form 22-8692-5 minutes.

c. Extended Student Work-Study Agreement, VA Form 22-8692a-3 minutes.

d. Work-Study Agreement (Student Services), VA Form 22-8692b-5 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.
Estimated Number of Respondents: 80,000.

a. Application for Work-Study Allowance (38 Up.So.CA. Chapters 30, 31, 32 and 35; 10 Up.So.CA Chapter 1606), VA Form 22-8961-33,000.

b. Student Work-Study Agreement (Student Services), VA Form 22-8692-20,000.

c. Extended Student Work-Study Agreement, VA Form 22-8692a-7,000.

d. Work-Study Agreement (Student Services), VA Form 22-8692b-20,000.

Dated: April 11, 2002.

By direction of the Secretary:

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Management Analyst, Information Management Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0253]

Proposed Information Collection Activity: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed