

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit organizations.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 200.

*Estimated Average Time Per Respondent:* 11 hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 1,737.

The following paragraph applies to all of the collections of information covered by this notice:

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a collection of information must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any internal revenue law. Generally, tax returns and tax return information are confidential, as required by 26 U.S.C. 6103.

#### Request for Comments

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper 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: December 29, 2000.

Garrick R. Shear,

IRS Reports Clearance Officer.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

##### Internal Revenue Service

#### Proposed Collection; Comment Request For Form 4804

**AGENCY:** Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Treasury, 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)). Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning Form 4804, Transmittal of Information Returns Reported Magnetically.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before March 12, 2001 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Garrick R. Shear, Internal Revenue Service, room 5244, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the form and instructions should be directed to Carol Savage, (202) 622-3945, Internal Revenue Service, room 5242, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* Transmittal of Information Returns Reported Magnetically.

*OMB Number:* 1545-0367.

*Form Number:* Form 4804.

*Abstract:* Under Internal Revenue Code sections 6041 and 6042, all persons engaged in a trade or business and making payments of taxable income must file reports of this income with the IRS. In certain cases, this information must be filed on magnetic media. Form 4804 is a transmittal form for the magnetic media, which indicates the payer, type of document, and total payee records.

*Current Actions:* Form 4804 is being revised. It was determined that the detailed payer information requested in Block 10 of the form was no longer helping to expedite processing of information returns. By eliminating the need for most of this information, the form was streamlined. Since Form 4802 was a continuation form used to collect additional payer information in Block 10, Form 4802 was eliminated.

*Type of Review:* Revision of a currently approved collection.

*Affected Public:* Individuals, business or other for-profit organizations, not-for-profit institutions, farms, and Federal, state, local or tribal governments.

*Estimated Number of Responses:* 71,058.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 18 minutes.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 20,902.

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#### Request for Comments

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Garrick R. Shear,

IRS Reports Clearance Officer.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

##### Internal Revenue Service

#### Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Form 1041 and Related Schedules D, J, and K-1

**AGENCY:** Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Treasury, 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)). Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning Form