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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests; Office of the Secretary; Education Jobs Annual Performance Report

SUMMARY: The Education Jobs program provides \$10 billion in assistance to States to save or create education jobs. Jobs funded under this program include those that provide educational and related services for early childhood, elementary, and secondary education.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before November 13, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Written comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be electronically mailed to ICDocketMgr@ed.gov or mailed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., LBJ, Washington, DC 20202-4537. Copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 04909. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., LBJ, Washington, DC 20202-4537. Requests may also be electronically mailed to ICDocketMgr@ed.gov or faxed to 202-401-0920. Please specify the complete title of the information collection and OMB Control Number when making your request.

Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that Federal agencies provide interested parties an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. The Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Privacy, Information and Records Management Services, Office of Management, publishes this notice containing proposed information collection requests at the beginning of the Departmental review of the

information collection. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

Title of Collection: Education Jobs Annual Performance Report.

OMB Control Number: Pending.

Type of Review: New.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 56.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 840.

Abstract: Under the Education Jobs Fund statute (Pub. L. 111-226 Sec. 101 (10)(A)), each State is required to submit to the U.S. Department of Education (Department) a report that describes the uses of the funds provided under the program and the impact of those funds on education and other areas. The statute requires States to submit these reports for each year of the program at such time and in such manner as the Department may require.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Promising and Practical Strategies to Increase Postsecondary Success; Request for Information

AGENCY: Department of Education.

ACTION: Request for Information (RFI); Promising and Practical Strategies to Increase Postsecondary Success—Second Round Request and Posting of Responses from First Round.

SUMMARY: The Department of Education (Department) requests information about promising and practical strategies, practices, programs, and activities (promising and practical strategies) that have improved rates of postsecondary success, transfer, and graduation. In addition, the Department announces the availability of the material submitted by

respondents to an earlier request for information on this same subject.

The Department believes this information will be of interest to others in situations similar to those described in the submissions. We also believe that this information will be useful during future deliberations, possibly including discussions concerning improvements to the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (HEA), and other legislative proposals to the Congress. Each response to this RFI should contain the following elements (see *Guidance for Submitting Documents and Request for Information* for full details):

- (1) Contact information;
- (2) Brief one-paragraph abstract;
- (3) Detailed description of the promising and practical strategy; and
- (4) Applicable keywords or tags (meta data tags).

DATES: Responses to this RFI may be submitted at any time after the publication of this notice, but in order for a response to be considered in the second round of reviews, it should be submitted by November 30, 2012. We will review and post responses received after November 30, 2012 on a regular basis.

ADDRESSES: Provide any submission related to this RFI to the following email address: collegecompletion@ed.gov. Alternatively, mail or deliver submissions to Frederick Winter, Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education, Office of Postsecondary Education, U.S. Department of Education, 1990 K Street NW., Room 6145, Washington, DC 20006-8544.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Frederick Winter, (202) 502-7632, frederick.winter@ed.gov.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

In February 2009, President Obama established a goal for the United States to regain, by 2020, its position as the nation with the highest percentage of its population holding postsecondary degrees and credentials. The Secretary of Education is interested in collecting and making available to the public information on promising and practical strategies that can help educational institutions, States, non-profit