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**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.

*Title:* Statement of Person Claiming to Have Stood in Relation of Parent, VA Form 21-524.

*OMB Control Number:* 2900-0059.

*Type of Review:* Reinstatement, without change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

*Abstract:* The form is used to secure information about the relationship of the claimant to the veteran from those claiming compensation as parents of veterans.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 4,000 hours.

*Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent:* 2 hours.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 2,000.

Dated: August 1, 2001.

By direction of the Secretary.

**Donald L. Neilson,**

*Director, Information Management Service.*  
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**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

**[OMB Control No. 2900-0089]**

**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 extension of a currently approved collection and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on the information needed to determine eligibility for income-based benefits programs.

**DATES:** Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before October 15, 2001.

**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](mailto:irmnkess@vba.va.gov). Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0089" in any correspondence.

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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.

*Title:* Statement of Dependency of Parent(s), VA Form 21-509.

*OMB Control Number:* 2900-0089.

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

*Abstract:* 38 U.S.C. 102 requires that income and dependency must be determined before benefits may be paid to or for a dependent parent. VA Form 21-509 is used to gather information from the applicant to make this determination.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 20,000 hours.

*Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent:* 30 minutes.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 40,000

Dated: July 30, 2001.

By direction of the Secretary.

**Donald L. Neilson,**

*Director, Information Management Service.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

**[OMB Control No. 2900-0114]**

**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 extension of a currently approved collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on the information needed to determine a veteran's marital status.

**DATES:** Written comments and recommendations on the proposed