

records under the TAPR. The prior TAPR data constituted the bulk of the burden of this collection, reducing the estimated total burden from 18,500 hours to 104 hours.

This information collection is subject to the PRA. A Federal agency generally cannot conduct or sponsor a collection of information, and the public is generally not required to respond to an information collection, unless it is approved by OMB under the PRA and displays a currently valid OMB Control Number. In addition, notwithstanding any other provisions of law, no person shall generally be subject to penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information that does not display a valid Control Number. See 5 CFR 1320.5(a) and 1320.6.

Interested parties are encouraged to provide comments to the contact shown in the **ADDRESSES** section. Comments must be written to receive consideration, and they will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval of the final ICR. In order to help ensure appropriate consideration, comments should mention OMB control number 1205-0392.

Submitted comments will also be a matter of public record for this ICR and posted on the internet, without redaction. DOL encourages commenters not to include personally identifiable information, confidential business data, or other sensitive statements/information in any comments.

DOL is particularly interested in comments that:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, (e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses).

*Agency:* DOL-ETA.

*Type of Review:* Revision.

*Title of Collection:* Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) Efforts to Improve Outcomes.

*Form:* ETA-9173.

*OMB Control Number:* 1205-0392.

*Affected Public:* State Workforce Agencies.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 52.

*Frequency:* Quarterly.

*Total Estimated Annual Responses:* 208.

*Estimated Average Time per Response:* 0.5 hours based on estimated times provided by states who are currently providing this more limited collection.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 104 hours.

*Total Estimated Annual Other Cost Burden:* \$0.

*Authority:* 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A).

**John Pallasch,**

*Assistant Secretary for Employment and Training, Labor.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Employment and Training Administration

#### **Federal-State Unemployment Compensation Program: Notice of Federal Agencies With Adequate Safeguards and an Appropriate Method of Payment or Reimbursement To Satisfy the Confidentiality Requirements of Agency Regulations**

**AGENCY:** Employment and Training Administration, Labor.

**ACTION:** Notice of Federal agencies with adequate safeguards and an appropriate method of payment or reimbursement for costs.

**SUMMARY:** In this notice, the Department of Labor (Department) recognizes that the exchange of information between State unemployment compensation (UC) agencies and the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and the exchange of information between State UC agencies and the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) meet the requirements of agency regulations. The Department has determined that the relative benefits of information received by State UC agencies from the IRS and the benefits of the information received by the IRS from State UC agencies are approximately equal. The Department has also determined that the relative benefits of information received by State UC agencies from HHS and the benefits of the information received by HHS from State UC agencies are approximately equal. Pursuant to this determination, it is not necessary for

State UC agencies to satisfy the agreement requirements of agency regulations for the disclosure of confidential UC information to these two Federal agencies.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Gay M. Gilbert, Administrator, Office of Unemployment Insurance, Employment and Training Administration, (202) 693-3029 (this is not a toll-free number) or 1-877-889-5627 (TTY), or by email at [gilbert.gay@dol.gov](mailto:gilbert.gay@dol.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Employment and Training Administration interprets Federal law requirements pertaining to the Federal-State UC program. Section 303(a)(1) of the Social Security Act, as implemented at 20 CFR part 603 (71 FR 56830), generally requires States to maintain the confidentiality of UC information. The regulation at 20 CFR 603.10 requires State UC agencies to enter into a written, enforceable agreement meeting certain requirements with any agency or entity requesting disclosure of such confidential UC information.

20 CFR 603.10(d) provides that the requirements of 20 CFR 603.10 do not apply to disclosures of confidential UC information to a Federal agency if the Department has determined, by notice published in the **Federal Register**, that the Federal agency has in place safeguards adequate to satisfy the requirements of 20 CFR 603.9 and an appropriate method of paying or reimbursing the State UC agency (which may involve a reciprocal cost arrangement) for costs involved in such disclosures as required in 20 CFR 603.8(d).

On November 15, 2006, the Department published notice in the **Federal Register** of its determination that the IRS has in place adequate safeguards for purposes of tax administration, including administration of the Federal unemployment tax and the Health Coverage Tax Credit (HCTC). 71 FR 66556. Section 6103 *et seq.* of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C. 6103 *et seq.*, provides safeguards adequate to satisfy confidentiality requirements consistent with the Department's regulation. State UC agencies and the IRS exchange confidential UC information for purposes of the proper administration of the Federal unemployment tax and the HCTC, as well as the Questionable Employment Tax Practices initiative. With the current notice, the Department recognizes that the exchange of information between State UC agencies and the IRS for these purposes meets the requirements of 20 CFR 603.8(d).

because the relative benefits received by each are approximately equal.

The Department's November 15, 2006, notice also included its determination that wage and claim information disclosed to HHS for purposes of the National Directory of New Hires (NDNH) is protected by a "security plan" that provides safeguards adequate to meet the requirements of 20 CFR 603.9. 71 FR 66556. Laws governing information in the NDNH impose strict controls on redisclosure and disposal of information. See, e.g., 42 U.S.C. 653(i), (j), (l), and (m). HHS provides NDNH information on reported new hire dates, which State UC agencies use to conduct cross matches to identify potential improper UC payments to individuals who have returned to work or failed to report earnings. With the current notice, the Department recognizes that the exchange of information between State UC agencies and HHS for these purposes meets the requirements of 20 CFR 603.8(d) because the relative benefits received by each are approximately equal.

This notice is published to inform the public of the Department's determination that it is not necessary for State UC agencies to satisfy the agreement requirements of 20 CFR 603.10 for the disclosure of confidential UC information to these two Federal agencies.

**John Pallasch,**

*Assistant Secretary for Employment and Training.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Office of the Secretary

#### Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; State Training Provider Eligibility Collection

**ACTION:** Notice of availability; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Labor (DOL) is submitting the Employment and Training Administration (ETA) sponsored information collection request (ICR) revision titled, "State Training Provider Eligibility Collection," to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval for use in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995. Public comments on the ICR are invited.

**DATES:** The OMB will consider all written comments that agency receives on or before October 25, 2019.

**ADDRESSES:** A copy of this ICR with applicable supporting documentation; including a description of the likely respondents, proposed frequency of response, and estimated total burden may be obtained free of charge from the *RegInfo.gov* website at [http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAViewICR?ref\\_nbr=201907-1205-002](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAViewICR?ref_nbr=201907-1205-002) (this link will only become active on the day following publication of this notice) or by contacting Frederick Licari by telephone at 202-693-8073, TTY 202-693-8064, (these are not toll-free numbers) or sending an email to [DOL\\_PRA\\_PUBLIC@dol.gov](mailto:DOL_PRA_PUBLIC@dol.gov).

Submit comments about this request by mail to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for DOL-ETA, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, 725 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20503; by Fax: 202-395-5806 (this is not a toll-free number); or by email: [OIRA\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov). Commenters are encouraged, but not required, to send a courtesy copy of any comments by mail or courier to the U.S. Department of Labor-OASAM, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Attn: Departmental Information Compliance Management Program, Room N1301, 200 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20210; or by email: [DOL\\_PRA\\_PUBLIC@dol.gov](mailto:DOL_PRA_PUBLIC@dol.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Frederick Licari by telephone at 202-693-8073, TTY 202-693-8064, (these are not toll-free numbers) or sending an email to [DOL\\_PRA\\_PUBLIC@dol.gov](mailto:DOL_PRA_PUBLIC@dol.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This ICR seeks approval under the PRA for revisions to the State Training Provider Eligibility Collection. This ICR collects information from States pertaining to Eligible Training Provider (ETP) List and their retention of the data. This information collection is a revision because the collection has been updated to conform with the language in the Final Rule, in particular 20 CFR 680-470 and its operational refinements during implementation. The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014 authorizes this information collection. See Section 122 of Public Law 113-128.

This information collection is subject to the PRA. A Federal agency generally cannot conduct or sponsor a collection of information, and the public is generally not required to respond to an information collection, unless the OMB, under the PRA, approves it and displays a currently valid OMB Control Number. In addition, notwithstanding any other

provisions of law, no person shall generally be subject to penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information that does not display a valid Control Number. See 5 CFR 1320.5(a) and 1320.6. The DOL obtains OMB approval for this information collection under Control Number 1205-0523. The current approval is scheduled to expire on September 30, 2019; however, the DOL notes that existing information collection requirements submitted to the OMB will receive a month-to-month extension while they undergo review. New requirements would only take effect upon OMB approval. For additional substantive information about this ICR, see the related notice published in the **Federal Register** on May 22, 2019 (84 FR 23583).

Interested parties are encouraged to send comments to the OMB, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs at the address shown in the **ADDRESSES** section within thirty-(30) days of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. In order to help ensure appropriate consideration, comments should mention OMB Control Number 1205-0523. The OMB is particularly interested in comments that:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility.
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

*Agency:* DOL-ETA.

*Title of Collection:* State Training Provider Eligibility Collection.

*OMB Control Number:* 1205-0523.

*Affected Public:* State, Local and Tribal Governments.

*Total Estimated Number of Respondents:* 12,337.

*Total Estimated Number of Responses:* 12,337.

*Total Estimated Annual Time Burden:* 8,912 hours.

*Total Estimated Annual Other Costs Burden:* \$0.

**Authority:** 44 U.S.C. 3507(a)(1)(D).