

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**Internal Revenue Service****Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Revenue Procedure 2004-56**

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 Revenue Procedure 2004-56, Model 457 Plan Provisions.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before September 11, 2007 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to R. Joseph Durbala, Internal Revenue Service, room 6516, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of revenue procedures should be directed to Larnice Mack at Internal Revenue Service, room 6512, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224, or at (202) 622-3179, or through the Internet at Larnice.Mack@irs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Model 457 Plan Provisions.

OMB Number: 1545-1904.

Revenue Procedure Number: Rev. Proc. 2004-56.

Abstract: Revenue Procedure 2004-56 contains model amendments to be used by section 457(b) plans (deferred compensation plans) of state or local governments.

Current Actions: There are no changes being made to the revenue procedures at this time.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: State, local or tribal governments, and not-for-profit institutions.

Estimated Number of Respondents/Recordkeepers: 10,260.

Estimated Annual Average Time per Respondent/Recordkeeper: 4 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Reporting/Recordkeeping Hours: 41,040.

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: July 2, 2007.

R. Joseph Durbala,

IRS Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**Health Services Research and Development Service Merit Review Board; Notice of Meeting**

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under Public Law 92-463, Federal Advisory Committee Act, that a meeting of the Health Services Research and Development Service Merit Review Board will be held August 21-23, 2007, at the Palmer House Hilton, 17 E. Monroe Street, Chicago, IL. Various subcommittees of the Board will meet during that period. Each subcommittee meeting of the Merit Review Board will be open to the public on the first day for approximately one half-hour from 8 a.m. until 8:30 a.m. to cover administrative matters and to

discuss the general status of the program. The remaining portion of each meeting will be closed. The closed portion of each meeting will involve discussion, examination, reference to, and oral review of the research proposals and critiques.

The purpose of the Board is to review research and development applications concerned with the measurement and evaluation of health care services, the testing of new methods of health care delivery and management, and nursing research. Applications are reviewed for scientific and technical merit. Recommendations regarding funding are submitted to the Chief Research and Development Officer.

On Tuesday, August 21, the subcommittee on Nursing Research Initiative (NRI) will convene from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. On Wednesday, August 22, six subcommittees will convene from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Those subcommittees are Chronic Disease Management, Equity and Women's Health, General Health Services Research, Implementation and Management Research Science, Long Term Care and Aging, and Mental Health and Deployment Health. On Thursday, August 23, six subcommittees will convene from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Those subcommittees are Chronic Disease Management (continuation), Equity and Women's Health (continuation), General Health Services Research (continuation), Implementation and Management Research Science (continuation), Long Term Care Aging (continuation), and Mental Health and Deployment Health (continuation).

After the subcommittees meet there will be a debriefing provided to members of Health Services Research and Development Service Scientific Merit Review Board. This debriefing, by teleconference, will be to discuss the outcomes of the review sessions and to ensure the integrity and consistency of the review process.

During the closed portion of the meetings on August 21-23, discussion and recommendations will include qualifications of the personnel conducting the studies (the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy), as well as research information (the premature disclosure of which would be likely to compromise significantly the implementation of proposed agency action regarding such research projects). As provided by subsection 10(d) of Public Law 92-463, as amended by Public Law 94-409, closing portions of these meetings is in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(6) and (9)(B).