

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Need and Uses: It is the general policy of the VA to utilize the services of local brokers in the sale and management of VA-owned properties. Generally management activities are conducted by staff personnel only when the property is in close proximity to a VA field station and no reputable local brokers are willing to represent the VA. Each management broker wishing to represent the VA must submit a signed VA Form 26-6685. The information collected on the form, as well as other relevant material, such as a credit report, is used to determine the qualifications and acceptability of those management brokers who apply to participate in this program.

Current Actions: Title 38 U.S.C., 3720(a)(6) authorizes the VA to maintain, renovate, repair, modernize, lease, or otherwise deal with any property acquired or held pursuant to this Chapter. Also Title 38 U.S.C., 513 authorizes the VA to enter into contracts or agreements with private or public agencies or persons for necessary services in order to carry out the purposes of those laws. Accordingly, the VA has established a management broker program whereby fee personnel are hired to carry out specific property management responsibilities for those properties acquired by the VA under title 38 U.S.C., Chapter 37.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 63 hours.

Estimated Total Average Burden Per Respondent: 15 minutes.

Frequency of Response: One-time.

Estimated Total Number of Respondents: 250.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the form should be directed to Department of Veterans Affairs, Attn:

Nancy Kessinger, Veterans Benefits Administration (20S52), 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420, telephone (202) 273-7079 or FAX (202) 275-4884.

Dated: October 18, 1996.

By direction of the Secretary.

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Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA) invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on this information collection. This request for comment is being made pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Public Law 104-13; 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Comments should address the accuracy of the burden estimates and ways to minimize the burden including the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology, as well as other relevant aspects of the information collection.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposal for the collection of information should be received on or before December 30, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Veterans Benefits Administration (20S52), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420. All written comments will

become a matter of public record and will be summarized in the VBA request for Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval. In this document VBA is soliciting comments concerning the following information collection:

OMB Control Number: 2900-0067.

Titles and Form Numbers:

Application for Automobile or Other Conveyance and Adaptive Equipment, VA Form 21-4502.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Need and Uses: The form is used to gather the necessary information to determine if the veteran has established entitlement to an automobile allowance or adaptive equipment.

Current Actions: The information requested under the authority of Title 38 U.S.C. 3901-3904 provides eligibility to an automobile or other conveyance if the eligible person meets the disability requirements.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 375 hours.

Estimated Total Average Burden Per Respondent: 15 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Total Number of Respondents: 1,500.

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