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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Proposed Information Collection Activity; Public 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, 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 April 4, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Nancy J. Kessinger, Veterans Benefits Administration (20S52), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420. All 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: 2900-0051.

Title and Form Number: Quarterly Report of State Approving Agency Activities, VA Form 22-7398.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Need and Uses: The information to ensure that the reimbursement to the States is proper and accurate. Without this report, the VA would have no means to compare the efficiency and effectiveness of the State agencies.

Current Actions: The VA has authority to reimburse State Approving Agencies (SAAs) for necessary salary, fringe, and travel expenses incurred in

the approval and supervision of education and training programs under Chapters 30, 32, 35, and 36 of Title 38, U.S.C., and Chapter 1606 of Title 10, U.S.C. Reimbursement is made on a monthly or quarterly basis after SAAs submit an itemized invoice with supporting statements (visit reports and program approvals). VA Form 22-7398 serves as the report of activity (in specified categories) of the work for approving and supervising by the SAAs. *Affected Public:* State, Local or Tribal Government.

Estimated Annual Burden: 240 hours.
Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 60 minutes.

Frequency of Response: Quarterly.
Estimated Annual Responses: 240.
Estimated Number of Respondents: 60.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or a copy of the form should be directed to Department of Veterans Affairs, Attn: Nancy J. Kessinger, Veterans Benefits Administration (20S52), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420, Telephone (202) 273-7079 or FAX (202) 275-4884.

Dated: January 13, 1997.
 By direction of the Secretary.
 Donald L. Neilson,
Director, Information Management Service.
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Agency Information Collection: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs, has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) the following proposal for the collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

OMB Control Number: 2900-0353.
Title and Form Number: Certification of Lessons Completed, VA Form 22-6553b.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Need and Uses: The information collected on the form is used to determine the number of lessons completed by the student and serviced by the school, and if necessary to determine the date of completion or termination of correspondence training.

Without this information, the VA would be unable to determine the proper payment or the student's status.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 3,186 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 10 minutes.

Frequency of Response: 3.02 (Average Individual Response Per Year.).

Estimated Total Number of Responses: 19,117.

Estimated Total Number of Respondents: 6,330.

ADDRESSES: A copy of this submission may be obtained from Ron Taylor, VA Clearance Officer (045A4), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420, (202) 273-8015.

Comments and recommendations concerning this submission should be directed to VA's OMB Desk Officer, Allison Eydt, OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 (202) 395-4650. DO NOT send requests for benefits to this address.

DATES: Comments on the information collection should be directed to the OMB Desk Officer by March 5, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ron Taylor, VA Clearance Officer (045A4), (202) 273-8015.

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Agency Information Collection: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs, has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) the following proposal for the collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

OMB Control Number: 2900-0114.
Title and Form Number: Statement of Marital Relationship, VA Form 21-4170.
Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Need and Uses: The form is used to develop the evidence necessary to make