

accordance with 21 CFR 1301.54 in such form as prescribed by 21 CFR 1316.47.

Any such comments, objections, or request for a hearing may be addressed, in quintuplicate, to the Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Administration, United States Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. 20537, Attention: DEA Federal Register Representative (CCR), and must be filed no later than (30 days from publication).

This procedure is to be conducted simultaneously with and independent of the procedures in 21 CFR 1311.42 (b), (c), (d), (e), and (f). As noted in a previous notice at 40 FR 43745-46 (September 23, 1975), all applicants for registration to import basic classes of any controlled substances in Schedule I or II are and will continue to be required to demonstrate to the Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Administration that the requirements for such registration pursuant to 21 U.S.C. 958(a), 21 U.S.C. 823(a), and 21 CFR 1311.42, (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), and (f) are satisfied.

Dated: June 5, 1997.

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Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

National Institute of Justice

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Solicitation for Research and Evaluation on Sentencing Reforms and Their Effects on Corrections (1997)

AGENCY: Office of Justice Programs, National Institute of Justice, Justice.

ACTION: Notice of solicitation.

SUMMARY: Announcement of the availability of the National Institute of Justice "Solicitation for Research and Evaluation on Sentencing Reforms and Their Effects on Corrections (1997)."

DATES: The deadline for receipt of proposals is close of business on August 1, 1997.

ADDRESSES: National Institute of Justice, 633 Indiana Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20531.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For a copy of the solicitation, please call NCJRS 1-800-851-3420. For general

information about application procedures for solicitations, please call the U.S. Department of Justice Response Center 1-800-421-6770.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority

This action is authorized under the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968, §§ 201-03, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 3721-23 (1994).

Background

The National Institute of Justice calls for proposals for research and evaluation of the Violent Offenders Incarceration and Truth-in-Sentencing Acts (Title II, Subtitle A) of the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994, as amended. Requested areas of research are broken down into three main categories: sentencing impact evaluations, topical research and evaluation, and practitioner-research partnerships.

Section A, Sentencing Impact Evaluations, is divided into three topic areas: impact on length of stay in correctional facilities, impact on management and operations of facilities, and the impact of privatization.

Section B calls for proposals on topics of interest to NIJ, including: victim issues and concerns, the sentenced offender, unintended consequences of sentencing, court-related issues, and public opinion on sentencing. These topics are only illustrative of the research and evaluations that NIJ encourages under this solicitation. In developing other topics applicants should explain their likely contribution to the understanding of sentencing policies.

Section C calls for applications for the development of practitioner-researcher partnerships to explore how State sentencing policies and practices are best implemented in State or local agencies. Both sentencing and corrections partnerships can be formed. These partnerships may be newly formed in response to this solicitation or they may build on an existing relationship between researchers and practitioners. The applicant may be either the practitioner agency or the research agency or academic institution. Applications from jurisdictions of all sizes are encouraged.

Interested organizations should call the National Criminal Justice Reference Service (NCJRS) at 1-800-851-3420 to obtain a copy of "Solicitation for Research and Evaluation on Sentencing Reforms and Their Effects on Corrections" (refer to document no. SL000229). The solicitation is available

electronically via the NCJRS Bulletin Board, which can be accessed via the Internet. Telnet to ncjrsbbs.ncjrs.org, or gopher to ncjrs.org:71. For World Wide Web access, connect to the NCJRS Justice Information Center at <http://www.ncjrs.org>. Those without Internet access can dial the NCJRS Bulletin Board via modem: dial 301-738-8895. Set the modem at 9600 baud, 8-N-1.

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Director, National Institute of Justice.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA95) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). This program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. Currently, the Department of Labor is soliciting comments concerning the proposed new collection, the "Applicant Background Questionnaire". A copy of the proposed information collection request (ICR) can be obtained by contacting the office listed below in the addressee section of this notice.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the addressee section below on or before August 18, 1997. The Department of Labor is particularly interested in comments which:

- 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;