

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: April 21, 1998.

Garrick R. Shear,

IRS Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**Internal Revenue Service****Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Form 4598**

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, Pub. L. 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning Form 4598, Form W-2, or 1099 Not Received or Incorrect. **DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before June 29, 1998 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Garrick R. Shear, Internal Revenue Service, room 5571, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the form and instructions should be directed to Carol Savage, (202) 622-3945, Internal Revenue

Service, room 5569, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Form W-2, or 1099 Not Received or Incorrect.

OMB Number: 1545-0597.

Form Number: Form 4598.

Abstract: Form 4598 is used to resolve taxpayer inquiries concerning the non-receipt of, or incorrect, Forms W-2 or 1099. Parts one and two of Form 4598 are mailed to the employer or payer for response to the IRS and, if necessary, to the taxpayer. Part three is mailed to the taxpayer advising the taxpayer of the action taken on their behalf.

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

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Individuals, business or other for-profit organizations, farms, and Federal, state, local or tribal governments.

Estimated Number of Responses: 850,000.

Estimated Time Per Response: 15 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 212,500.

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.

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maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**Internal Revenue Service****Proposed Collection; Comment Request For Form 4852**

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, Pub. L. 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning Form 4852, Substitute for Form W-2, Wage and Tax Statement or Form 1099R, Distributions From Pensions, Annuities, Retirement or Profit-Sharing Plans, IRA's, Insurance Contracts, Etc.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before June 29, 1998 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Garrick R. Shear, Internal Revenue Service, room 5571, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the form and instructions should be directed to Carol Savage, (202) 622-3945, Internal Revenue Service, room 5569, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Substitute for Form W-2, Wage and Tax Statement or Form 1099R, Distributions From Pensions, Annuities, Retirement or Profit-Sharing Plans, IRA's, Insurance Contracts, Etc.

OMB Number: 1545-0458.

Form Number: Form 4852.

Abstract: In the absence of a Form W-2 or 1099R from the employer or payer, Form 4852 is used by the taxpayer to estimate gross wages, pensions, annuities, retirement or IRA payments received as well as income or FICA tax withheld during the year. The form is attached to the tax return so the return