

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Office of the Secretary****Reports, Forms and Recordkeeping Requirements, Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review**

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 3501, *et seq.*) this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collection of information was published on June 30, 1999 [64 FR, 35236].

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received on or before December 20, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert M. Clark, Office of the Secretary, Office of Transportation Policy, Department of Transportation, 400 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Phone Number: (202)366-2916. Copies of these collections can also be obtained.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Office of the Secretary**

Title: Infant Travel Survey.

OMB Control Number: 2105-0536.

Affected Public: Citizens (typically parents) traveling in air transportation with infants and small children.

Type of Request: Reinstatement, with changes of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

Form(s): OMB 2105-0536.

Abstract: Children 2 years of age and younger are exempt from the FAA requirement that they be restrained in a seat during transport airplane takeoffs and landings. In February 1997, the White House Commission on Aviation Safety and Security recommended that this exemption be eliminated, requiring instead that those children be placed in

a separate aircraft seat equipped with an approved Child Restraint System (CRS). In May 1995, in response to Section 522 of the Federal Aviation Administration Authorization Act of 1994, P.L. 103-305, the FAA published a report on CRS use in transport category aircraft.

FAA issued an ANPRM on April 2, 1998 (the comment period closed June 28), seeking technical comments about what types of CRS could/should be used in transport category aircraft. Responses to those questions provide needed technical information relative to implementation of CRS aboard transport airplanes, but economic questions related to the issue were not included in that Notice. This deficiency resulted in little information, on which to assess the validity of the assumptions used in its analysis, being received from the traveling public by the FAA.

Accordingly, there is a need to gauge the impact that requiring use of CRS would have on travelers accompanied by infants and small children, 2 years of age and less. Information needs to be obtained about the types of trips (length, purpose, mode of travel) on which such children accompany adults; the prevalence of actual CRS use, relative to air travel by infants and small children; the factors that determine whether CRS are being used for such children; and what types of changes to these travel events would result from requiring the use of CRS.

Estimated Annual Burden Hours: 74.7 hours.

Send comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725-17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attention OST Desk Officer. Comments are invited on: whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the Department's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Comments to OMB are best assured of having their effect if OMB receives them within 30 days of publication.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Coast Guard**

[USCG-1999-6506]

National Offshore Safety Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of meetings.

SUMMARY: The National Offshore Safety Advisory Committee (NOSAC) will meet to discuss various issues relating to offshore safety. The meeting will be open to the public.

DATES: NOSAC will meet on Thursday, December 9, 1999, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The meeting may close early if all business is finished. Written material and requests to make oral presentations should reach the Coast Guard on or before November 25, 1999. Requests to have a copy of your material distributed to each member of the committee should reach the Coast Guard on or before November 25, 1999.

ADDRESSES: NOSAC will meet in room 185 of the Army Corps of Engineers Offices, 2000 Fort Point, Galveston, TX. Send written material and requests to make oral presentations to Captain P. Richardson, Commandant (G-MSO), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001. This notice is available on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For questions on this notice, contact Captain P. Richardson, Executive Director of NOSAC, or Mr. Jim Magill, Assistant to the Executive Director, telephone 202-267-0214, fax 202-267-4570.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2.