

Transportation Statistics (BTS). As provided by statute, carriers may request that their reports be withheld from public release. BTS is inviting comments on requests from several carriers, which had previously sought exemptions from public release and are now providing additional information or are requesting reconsideration of BTS's decision on their petitions.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted by October 10, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to the DOT Dockets Management System. You may send them by mail or in person to the Docket Clerk, Docket No. BTS-99-5889, Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Room PL-401, Washington, DC 20590. The Docket is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except federal holidays. If you wish to file comments using the Internet, you may use the DOT Dockets Management System website at <http://dms.dot.gov>. Please follow the instructions online for more information.

Comments should identify the docket number and be submitted in duplicate to the address listed above. Commenters wishing the Department to acknowledge receipt of their comments must submit with those comments a self-addressed stamped postcard on which the following statement is made: Comments on Docket BTS-99-5889. The Docket Clerk will date stamp the postcard and mail it back to the commenter.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

David Mednick, K-1, Bureau of Transportation Statistics, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590; (202) 366-8871; fax: (202) 366-3640; e-mail: [david.mednick@bts.gov](mailto:david.mednick@bts.gov).

**Request for Comments**

BTS invites comments on the following:

- Clarksville Refrigerated Lines, Inc.—Reply to Request for Additional Information.
- Drug Transport, Inc.—Request for Reconsideration and Reply to Request for More Information.
- Schneider Transport, Inc., Schneider Tank Lines, Inc., Schneider National Carriers, Inc., Schneider National Bulk Carriers, Inc., Schneider Specialized Carriers, Inc.—Supplemental Request for Reconsideration.

You must use the DOT Dockets Management System if you wish to comment on these documents. Please follow the instructions listed above under **ADDRESSES**. You can also use the Dockets Management System to read related background information, such as

the carriers' original exemption requests, comments submitted in regards to their requests, and BTS's initial decisions.

**Rick Kowalewski,**

*Deputy Director.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

[OMB Control No. 2900-0001]

**Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review**

**AGENCY:** Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C., 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs, has submitted the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden; it includes the actual data collection instrument.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before October 10, 2000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY OF THE SUBMISSION CONTACT:**

Denise McLamb, Information Management Service (045A4), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420, (202) 273-8030 or FAX (202) 273-5981. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0001."

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Veteran's Application for Compensation and/or Pension, VA Form 21-526.

*OMB Control Number:* 2900-0001.

*Type of Review:* Revision of a currently approved collection.

*Abstract:* This form is used as an original application for veterans to apply for compensation and/or pension benefits.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on May 30, 2000, at page 34531.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 592,500 hours.

*Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent:* 90 minutes.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 395,000.

Send comments and recommendations concerning any aspect of the information collection 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. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0001" in any correspondence.

Dated: August 11, 2000.

By direction of the Acting Secretary:

**Donald L. Neilson,**

*Director, Information Management Service.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

[OMB Control No. 2900-0025]

**Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review**

**AGENCY:** Office of Information and Technology, Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C., 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Office of Information and Technology, Department of Veterans Affairs, has submitted the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden; it includes the actual data collection instrument.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before October 10, 2000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY OF THE SUBMISSION CONTACT:**

Denise McLamb, Information Management Service (045A4), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420, (202) 273-8030 or FAX (202) 273-5981. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0025" in any correspondence.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Request for and Consent to Release of Information from Claimant's Records, VA Form 3288.

*OMB Control Number:* 2900-0025.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Abstract:* The form is completed by veterans and their beneficiaries to provide VA with a written consent to release records or information to third parties such as insurance companies, physicians and other individuals. Use of the form ensures an individual gives an informed written consent for the release of records or information about himself/herself that is consistent with the statutory requirements of the Privacy Act of 1974 and VA's confidentiality statute.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on May 8, 2000, at page 26661.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 18,875 hours.

*Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent:* 7.5 minutes.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 151,000.

Send comments and recommendations concerning any aspect of the information collection 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. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0025" in any correspondence.

Dated: August 8, 2000.

By direction of the Acting Secretary.

**Donald L. Neilson,**

*Director, Information Management Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0042]

### Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review

**AGENCY:** Board of Veterans' Appeals, Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C., 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Board of Veterans' Appeals (BVA), Department of Veterans Affairs, has submitted the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget

(OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden; it includes the actual data collection instrument.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before October 10, 2000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY OF**

**THE SUBMISSION CONTACT:** Denise McLamb, Information Management Service (045A4), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420, (202) 273-8030 or FAX (202) 273-5981. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0042."

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Statement of Accredited Representative in Appealed Case, VA Form 646.

*OMB Control Number:* 2900-0042.

*Type of Review:* Reinstatement, without change, for a previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

*Abstract:* The form is used by accredited veterans' service organization representatives to present their argument to the Board on behalf of appellants of whom the service organizations represent. It facilitates appellants' exercise of their representation rights. The legal and factual arguments presented on the form are considered and addressed by the Board in making decisions on appeals. The form is also designed to solicit enough identifying data to enable VA to identify the particular case to which the statement pertains so that it may be properly considered and filed when received by VA. It aids the Board in assuring that rights to representation have been honored by establishing that the record has been made available to the representative for review and presentation of argument.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on May 4, 2000 at page 25977.

*Affected Public:* Not-for-profit institutions.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 32,895 hours.

*Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent:* 60 minutes.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 32,895.

Send comments and recommendations concerning any aspect of the information collection 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. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0042" in any correspondence.

Dated: August 7, 2000.

By direction of the Acting Secretary.

**Donald L. Neilson,**

*Director, Information Management Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0051]

### Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review

**AGENCY:** Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C., 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs, has submitted the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden; it includes the actual data collection instrument.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before October 10, 2000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY OF**

**THE SUBMISSION CONTACT:** Denise McLamb, Information Management Service (045A4), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420, (202) 273-8030 or FAX (202) 273-5981. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0051."

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

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

*OMB Control Number:* 2900-0051.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Abstract:* VA reimburses State Approving Agencies (SAAs) for necessary salary, and fringe and travel expenses incurred in the approval and supervision of education and training programs. VA makes reimbursement retrospectively on a monthly or quarterly basis after receiving an itemized invoice by the SAA. This invoice must be supported by other documents (such as showing reports of visits to schools and programs approved