

Respondents: Business or other for-profit, Individuals or households, Not-for-profit institutions, Farms, Federal Government, State, Local or Tribal Government.

Estimated Number of Respondents/Recordkeepers: 50,000.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent/Recordkeeper:

Recordkeeping—2 hrs., 3 min.

Learning about the law or the form—9 min.

Preparing and sending the form to the IRS—26 min.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Total Reporting/Recordkeeping Burden: 132,500 hours.

OMB Number: 1545-1132.

Regulation Project Number: INTL-536-89 Final.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Registration Requirements with Respect to Certain Debt Obligations; Application of Repeal of 30 Percent Withholding by the Tax Reform Act of 1984.

Description: The Internal Revenue Service needs the information in order to ensure that purchasers of bearer obligations are not U.S. persons (other than those permitted to hold obligations under section 165(j) and to ensure that U.S. persons holding bearer obligations properly report income and gain on such obligations.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents/Recordkeepers: 5,000.

Estimated Burden Hours Per

Respondent/Recordkeeper: 10 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion, Annually.

Estimated Total Reporting/

Recordkeeping Burden: 852 hours.

OMB Number: 1545-1728.

Regulation Project Number: REG-114082-00 NPRM and REG-109707-97 Temp and Final.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: HIPAA Nondiscrimination (REG-114082-00); and Interim Final Rules for Nondiscrimination in Health Coverage in the Group Market (REG-109707-97).

Description: This regulation requires group health plans, and the employers and employee organizations that sponsor them, to provide a notice to individuals previously discriminated against based on a health factor, informing the individuals of their right to enroll in the plan without regard to their health. The notice is necessary so that these individuals will now that they have the right to enroll in the plan.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit, Not-for-profit institutions.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 120,000.

Estimated Burden Hours Per

Respondent: 3 minutes.

Frequency of Response: Other (one time by July 2001).

Estimated Total Reporting/Recordkeeping Burden: 5,950 hours.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Form 1040NR-EZ

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, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning Form 1040NR-EZ, U.S. Income Tax Return for Certain Nonresident Aliens With No Dependents.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before August 6, 2001, to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Garrick R. Shear, Internal Revenue Service, room 5244, 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 5242, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: U.S. Income Tax Return for Certain Nonresident Aliens With No Dependents.

OMB Number: 1545-1468.

Form Number: 1040NR-EZ.

Abstract: This form is used by certain nonresident aliens with simple tax situations and with no dependents to report their income subject to tax and compute the correct tax liability. The information on the return is used to determine whether income, deductions, credits, payments, etc., are correctly figured.

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 or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 100,000.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 4 hours, 31 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 452,000.

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.

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: May 30, 2001.

Garrick R. Shear,

IRS Reports Clearance Officer.

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