

the comment period from June 1, 2002 to July 19, 2002.

Dated: June 11, 2002.

**Jean A. Webb,**

*Secretary of the Commission.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**SUMMARY:** The Leader, Regulatory Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before August 16, 2002.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Leader, Regulatory Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) title; (3) summary of the collection; (4) description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) reporting and/or recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the

burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: June 11, 2002.

**John Tressler,**

*Leader, Regulatory Information Management, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

### Federal Student Aid

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

*Title:* Application for Ability to Benefit Testing Approval (JS).

*Frequency:* Annually.

*Affected Public:* Businesses or other for-profit (primary), individuals or household, not-for-profit institutions.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

Responses: 150090.

Burden Hours: 77040.

*Abstract:* The Secretary will publish a list of approved tests which can be used by postsecondary educational institutions to establish the ability to benefit for a student who does not have a high school diploma or its equivalent for Student Financial Assistance Programs.

Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 2065. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to Vivian Reese, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Room 4050, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651 or to the e-mail address [vivian\\_reese@ed.gov](mailto:vivian_reese@ed.gov). Requests may also be electronically mailed to the Internet address [OCIO\\_RIMG@ed.gov](mailto:OCIO_RIMG@ed.gov) or faxed to 202-708-9346. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be directed to Joe Schubart at 202-708-9266. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**SUMMARY:** The Leader, Regulatory Information Management Group, Office

of the Chief Information Officer invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before July 17, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Karen Lee, Acting Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or should be electronically mailed to the Internet address [Karen\\_F\\_Lee@omb.eop.gov](mailto:Karen_F_Lee@omb.eop.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Leader, Regulatory Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) title; (3) summary of the collection; (4) description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) reporting and/or recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

Dated: June 11, 2002.

**John D. Tressler,**

*Leader, Regulatory Information Management, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

### Office of Postsecondary Education

*Type of Review:* Reinstatement.

*Title:* The Program for North American Mobility in Higher Education (JS).

*Frequency:* Annually.

*Affected Public:* Not-for-profit institutions (primary).

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

Responses: 20.

Burden Hours: 600.

*Abstract:* The Program for North American Mobility in Higher Education is a competition grant program which supports institutional cooperation and student exchange among the countries of the U.S., Mexico, and Canada. Funding supports the participation of U.S. institutions and students in trilateral consortia of institutions of higher education. Funding will be multi-year, with projects lasting up to four years.

Requests for copies of the submission for OMB review; comment request may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 2038. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to Vivian Reese, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Room 4050, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651 or to the e-mail address [vivan.reese@ed.gov](mailto:vivan.reese@ed.gov). Requests may also be electronically mailed to the Internet address [OCIO\\_RIMG@ed.gov](mailto:OCIO_RIMG@ed.gov) or faxed to 202-708-9346. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be directed to Joe Schubart at (202) 708-9266 or via his Internet address [Joe.Schubart@ed.gov](mailto:Joe.Schubart@ed.gov). Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

#### Office of Postsecondary Education

*Type of Review:* New.

*Title:* Annual Performance Report forms for the FIPSE US-Brazil Higher Education Consortia Program (JS).

*Frequency:* Annually.

*Affected Public:* Not-for-profit institutions (primary), State, Local, or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

Responses: 20.

Burden Hours: 400.

*Abstract:* FIPSE's US-Brazil Higher Education Consortia Program awards grants to U.S. institutions participating in bilateral institutional cooperation and student exchange programs in the United States and Brazil. The enclosed protocols for the first year and second year annual reports are necessary to ensure that the information and data to be collected will result in a balanced and effective assessment of the student exchanges and curricular developments

of the US-Brazil Higher Education Consortia Program.

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Office of Elementary and Secondary Education

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#### Transition to Teaching Program; Notice Inviting Applications for New Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 2002

*Purposes of Program:* The Transition to Teaching program supports the recruitment and retention of highly qualified mid-career professionals, school paraprofessionals, and recent college graduates as teachers in high-need schools, through use of existing, or development and enhancement of new, alternative routes to certification.

*Eligible Applicants:* A State educational agency (SEA); a high-need local educational agency (LEA); a for-profit or nonprofit organization with a proven record of effectively recruiting and retaining highly qualified teachers, in partnership with a high-need LEA or an SEA; an institution of higher education (IHE), in partnership with a high-need LEA or an SEA; a regional consortium of SEAs; or a consortium of high-need LEAs.

*Application Available:* June 17, 2002.

*Deadline for Transmittal of Applications:* August 1, 2002.

*Deadline for Intergovernmental Review:* September 30, 2002.

*Estimated Available Funds:* Approximately \$35,000,000. The Department has established separate funding categories for projects of different scope. These categories are (1) national/regional projects, where placement of teachers would be in LEAs in more than one State; (2) statewide projects, where placement of teachers would be statewide or in LEAs scattered across a particular State; and (3) local projects, where placement of teachers would be in one LEA or in two or more LEAs located in close proximity to one another.

The estimated available funds for each category is as follows: *National/regional projects:* \$7,750,000; *Statewide projects:* \$15,000,000; *Local projects:* \$12,500,000.

Funds available in future years depend on the level of Congressional appropriations.

*Estimated Range of Awards:* National/regional projects—\$300,000–\$1,200,000 per year; Statewide projects—\$150,000–\$600,000 per year; Local projects—\$50,000–\$400,000 per year.

*Estimated Average Size of Awards:* National/regional projects—\$750,000 per year; Statewide projects—\$375,000 per year; Local projects—\$225,000 per year.

*Estimated Number of Awards:* National/regional grants—10; Statewide grants—37; Local grants—60.

*Maximum Awards:* The maximum award amounts are expected to be \$1,200,000 per year for a National/Regional project, \$600,000 per year for a Statewide project, or \$400,000 per year for a Local project. Absent exceptional circumstances, the Department does not intend to make awards in excess of these amounts.

**Note:** The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

*Project Period:* Up to 60 months.

*Applicable Regulations:* (a) The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in 34 CFR part, 74, 75, 77, 79, 80, 82, 85, 86, 97, 98, and 99. (b) The special rules announced in this notice.

*Page Limit.* The application narrative is where applicants address the selection criteria that reviewers use to evaluate applications. Applicants must limit the narrative to the equivalent of no more than 50 pages, using the following standards:

- A page is 8.5" x 11", on one side only, with 1" margins at the top, bottom and both sides.