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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Office of the Secretary

#### Notice of Closed Meeting

**AGENCY:** Bureau of International Labor Affairs, Labor.

**ACTION:** Notice of closed meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, as amended), notice is hereby given of a meeting of the President's Committee on the International Labor Organization (ILO).

*Purpose:* The Secretary of Labor will chair a meeting of the President's Committee on the International Labor Organization to review and discuss current issues relating to the United States' tripartite participation in the ILO. The discussion will involve information the premature disclosure of which would be likely to significantly frustrate implementation of a proposed agency action. Accordingly, the meeting will be closed to the public, pursuant to Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act and the Government in the Sunshine Act, 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(9)(B).

*Date, Time and Place:* May 4, 2010; 10:30 a.m.; U.S. Department of Labor, Secretary's Conference Room, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Sandra Polaski, Deputy Undersecretary for International Affairs, U.S. Department of Labor; Phone (202) 693-4770.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The President's Committee on the ILO consists of the Secretaries of Labor (chair), State and Commerce, the Assistants to the President for National Security Affairs and Economic Policy, and the Presidents of the American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL-CIO) and the U.S. Council for International Business. Under its Charter, the Committee's objective "is to formulate and coordinate United States policy towards the International Labor Organization in order to promote continued reform and progress in that organization." The Committee considers

all matters relating to United States participation in the ILO.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 12th day of April, 2010.

**Hilda L. Solis,**

*Secretary of Labor.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Bureau of Labor Statistics

#### Proposed Collection, Comment Request

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a pre-clearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA95) [44 U.S.C. 3506(c) (2)(A)]. This program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. The Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) is soliciting comments concerning the proposed revision of the "Survey of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses." A copy of the proposed information collection request (ICR) can be obtained by contacting the individual listed below in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice.

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the Addresses section of this notice on or before *June 15, 2010*.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to Nora Kincaid, BLS Clearance Officer, Division of Management Systems, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Room 4080, 2 Massachusetts Avenue, NE., Washington, DC 20212. Written comments also may be transmitted by fax to 202-691-5111 (this is not a toll free number).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Nora Kincaid, BLS Clearance Officer, 202-691-7628 (this is not a toll free number). (See **ADDRESSES** section.)

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **I. Background**

Section 24(a) of the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 requires

the Secretary of Labor to develop and maintain an effective program of collection, compilation, and analysis of statistics on occupational injuries and illnesses. The Commissioner of Labor Statistics has been delegated the responsibility for "Furthering the purpose of the Occupational Safety and Health Act by developing and maintaining an effective program of collection, compilation, analysis and publication of occupational safety and health statistics." The BLS fulfills this responsibility, in part, by conducting the Survey of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses in conjunction with participating State statistical agencies. The BLS Survey of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses provides the Nation's primary indicator of the progress towards achieving the goal of safer and healthier workplaces. The survey produces the overall rate of occurrence of work injuries and illnesses by industry which can be compared to prior years to produce measures of the rate of change. These data are used to assess the Nation's progress in improving the safety and health of America's work places; to prioritize scarce Federal and State resources; to guide the development of injury and illness prevention strategies; and to support Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and State safety and health standards and research. Data are essential for evaluating the effectiveness of Federal and State programs for improving work place safety and health. For these reasons, it is necessary to provide estimates separately for participating States.

##### **II. Current Action**

Office of Management and Budget clearance is being sought for the Survey of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses. The survey measures the overall rate of occurrence of work injuries and illnesses by industry for private industry, State governments, and local governments. For the more serious injuries and illnesses, those with days away from work, the survey provides detailed information on the injured/ill worker (age, sex, race, industry, occupation, and length of service), the time in shift, and the circumstances of the injuries and illnesses classified by standardized codes (nature of the injury/illness, part of body affected, primary and secondary sources of the injury/illness, and the event or exposure which produced the injury/illness).

Beginning with the 2010 survey year, the BLS will test collection of injury and illness cases that require only days of job transfer or restriction. In the two