

on this NPRM at this time. Therefore, we are withdrawing this NPRM.

**Michael J. Astrue,**

*Commissioner of Social Security.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

### 24 CFR Part 1000

[Docket No. FR-5275-N-12]

#### Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Reauthorization Act of 2008: Negotiated Rulemaking Committee

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting of negotiated rulemaking committee.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a two-day session of the negotiated rulemaking committee that developed HUD's November 18, 2011, proposed rule to revise the regulations governing the Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) Program and Title VI Loan Guarantee Program. HUD's proposed rule was developed, as required by statute, by negotiated rulemaking. The public comment period on the proposed rule closed on January 17, 2012. The purpose of the two-day session is to provide the negotiated rulemaking committee members the opportunity to review and consider responses to the public comments received on the November 18, 2011, proposed rule.

**DATES:** The session will be held on Tuesday, May 1, 2012, and Wednesday, May 2, 2012. On each day, the session will begin at approximately 8:30 a.m., and will adjourn at approximately 6 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The sessions will take place in the Brooke Mondale Auditorium, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street SW., Washington DC, 20410. Members of the public wishing to enter the HUD Weaver Building to attend the sessions must present a current photo identification card, such as a valid driver's license, military ID, work related ID, or passport, at the Southeast lobby security reception desk. To expedite entrance into the building, the public is encouraged to RSVP to [Emily.Wright@hud.gov](mailto:Emily.Wright@hud.gov) by April 27, 2012. A visitor pass will be issued and must remain visible at all times. Visitors to the HUD Weaver Building will be

required to pass through the magnetometer and have their packages X-rayed or inspected by the security staff.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Rodger J. Boyd, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Native American Programs, Office of Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street SW., Room 4126, Washington, DC 20410, telephone number 202-401-7914 (this is not a toll-free number). Hearing- or speech-impaired individuals may access this number via TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On November 18, 2011 (76 FR 71474), HUD published a proposed rule to revise the regulations governing the IHBG and Title VI Loan Guarantee programs, codified in 24 CFR part 1000. HUD's proposed rule would implement statutory amendments to the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (25 U.S.C. 4101 *et seq.*) (NAHASDA) enacted by the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Reauthorization Act of 2008 (Pub. L. 110-411, approved October 14, 2008). Specifically, HUD's proposed rule would amend subpart A of 24 CFR part 1000 regarding the guiding principles of NAHASDA, definitions, labor standards, environmental review procedures, procurement, tribal and Indian preference, and program income. Proposed changes to subpart B of 24 CFR part 1000 would address eligible families, useful life of properties, and criminal conviction records. Proposed changes to subpart C of 24 CFR part 1000 would address the tribal program year, Indian Housing Plan (IHP) requirements, administrative and planning expenses, reserve accounts, local cooperation agreements, and exemption from taxation. Proposed changes to subpart D of part 24 would address certain formula information that must be included in the IHP and Annual Performance Report (APR), as well as the date by which HUD must provide data used for the formula and projected allocation to a tribe or Tribally Designated Housing Entity. Proposed changes to subpart E of 24 CFR part 1000 would address financing guarantees. Finally, proposed changes to subpart F of 24 CFR part 1000 would address HUD monitoring, APRs, APR review, HUD performance measures, recipient comments on HUD reports, remedial actions in the event of substantial noncompliance, audits, submission of audit reports, and records

retention. Additional explanation of HUD's proposed regulatory revisions are provided in the preamble to the November 18, 2011, proposed rule. The public comment period on the proposed rule closed on January 17, 2012.

As required by section 106 of NAHASDA, as amended, HUD negotiated the November 18, 2011, proposed rule with active tribal participation under the procedures of the Negotiated Rulemaking Act of 1990 (5 U.S.C. 561-570). HUD's proposed rule reflects the consensus decisions reached by HUD and the tribal representatives.

This notice announces a two-day session of the negotiated rulemaking committee that developed the November 18, 2011, proposed rule. The purpose of the two-day session is to provide the negotiated rulemaking committee members the opportunity to review and consider responses to the public comments received on the November 18, 2011, proposed rule.

The two-day session will take place as described in the **DATES** and **ADDRESSES** section of this document. The two-day session will be open to the public; however, public attendance may be limited to the space available. Members of the public may be allowed to make statements during the meeting to the extent time permits.

Dated: March 27, 2012.

**Rodger J. Boyd,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary for Native American Programs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Internal Revenue Service

#### 26 CFR Part 1

[REG-113903-10]

RIN 1545-BJ59

#### Allocation and Apportionment of Interest Expense; Hearing Cancellation

**AGENCY:** Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

**ACTION:** Cancellation of notice of public hearing on proposed rulemaking.

**SUMMARY:** This document cancels a public hearing on proposed rulemaking that provides guidance relating to the allocation and apportionment of interest expense.

**DATES:** The public hearing, originally scheduled for April 3, 2012 at 10 a.m. is cancelled.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Funmi Taylor of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Legal Processing Division, Associate Chief Counsel (Procedure and Administration) at (202) 622-7180 (not a toll-free number).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** A notice of proposed rulemaking by cross-reference to temporary regulations and a notice of public hearing that appeared in the *Federal Register* on Tuesday January 17, 2012 (77 FR 2240) announced that a public hearing was scheduled for April 3, 2012, at 10 a.m. in the IRS Auditorium, Internal Revenue Building, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC. The subject of the public hearing is under section 861 of the Internal Revenue Code.

The public comment period for the proposed rulemaking expired on March 13, 2012. The notice of proposed rulemaking by cross-reference to temporary regulations and a notice of public hearing instructed those interested in testifying at the public hearing to submit an outline of the topics to be addressed. As of Monday, March 26, 2012, no one has requested to speak. Therefore, the public hearing scheduled for April 3, 2012, is cancelled.

**LaNita VanDyke,**

*Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Legal Processing Division, Associate Chief Counsel (Procedure and Administration).*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

#### 49 CFR Part 571

[Docket No. NHTSA-2012-0036]

RIN 2127-AL05

#### Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards; Seat Belt Assembly Anchorages; Incorporation by Reference

**AGENCY:** National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

**SUMMARY:** This NPRM proposes to amend Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 210, "Seat belt assembly anchorages," to specify a new force application device for use as a testing interface to transfer loads onto the seat belt anchorage system during

compliance tests of anchorage strength. The device represents a human torso and pelvis. The new device comes in two sizes, one representative of a mid-size adult male, and the other of a small occupant. We propose both sizes be used in FMVSS No. 210. We believe that the devices provide a consistent test configuration and load path to the seat belt assembly anchorages. We are proposing this amendment because the devices are significantly easier to use than the current body blocks.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before May 29, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments to the docket number identified in the heading of this document by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.
- *Mail:* Docket Management Facility, M-30, U.S. Department of Transportation, West Building, Ground Floor, Rm. W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590.
- *Hand Delivery or Courier:* West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.
- *Fax:* (202) 493-2251.

Regardless of how you submit your comments, you should mention the docket number of this document.

You may call the Docket at 202-366-9324.

*Instructions:* For detailed instructions on submitting comments and additional information on the rulemaking process, see the Public Participation heading of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this document. Note that all comments received will be posted without change to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided. Please see the Privacy Act discussion below.

*Privacy Act:* Anyone is able to search the electronic form of all comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the *Federal Register* published on April 11, 2000 (65 FR 19477-78).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** *For non-legal issues:* Ms. Carla Rush, Office of Crashworthiness Standards, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590 (telephone 202-366-4583, fax 202-493-2739).

*For legal issues:* Ms. Deirdre Fujita, Office of the Chief Counsel, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590 (telephone 202-366-2992, fax: 202-366-3820).

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##### **I. FMVSS No. 210**

FMVSS No. 210, "Seat belt assembly anchorages," applies to passenger cars, multipurpose passenger vehicles (MPVs), trucks, and buses. The standard establishes requirements for seat belt assembly anchorages to ensure the anchorages are properly located for effective occupant restraint and to reduce the likelihood of their failure. As to the latter, the standard requires seat belt anchorages to withstand specified forces to increase the likelihood that the belts will remain attached to the vehicle structure in a crash. Under the standard, seat belt anchorage assemblies for lap/shoulder belts must withstand a 13,345 Newton (N) (3,000 pounds (lb)) force applied to the lap belt portion of the seat belt assembly simultaneously with a 13,345 N force applied to the shoulder belt portion of the seat belt assembly. The anchorage assemblies must withstand the force as it is increased over thirty seconds, and withstand that force as it is held for 10 seconds.<sup>1</sup> These forces are applied to the shoulder portion of the belt (for a lap/shoulder belt) by an upper torso body block (Figure 3 in FMVSS No. 210) and the lap belt portion of the belt by a pelvic body block<sup>2</sup> (Figures 2A and 2B in

<sup>1</sup> For lap belt only anchorages, the seat belt anchorage must withstand force as it is increased to 22,241 N (5,000 pounds) over thirty seconds and withstand that force as it is held for 10 seconds.

<sup>2</sup> The particular pelvic body block used depends on the type of seat. Typically the body block in