Federal fleets to acquire 75 percent of their new covered vehicle acquisitions as alternative fuel vehicles. Pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 13218 of the Energy Policy Act, DOL and other covered agencies are required annually to submit to Congress reports on their Energy Policy Act alternative fuel vehicle acquisition requirements. These reports must also be placed on an available website and their availability, including the website address, must be published in the Federal Register. The 2019 penultimate report is required to include an announcement that the report for the next year shall be the final report. DOL annual reports for fiscal years 1999 through 2018 may be accessed at the DOL Fleet Information and Regulations website at https://www.dol.gov/oasam/programs/boc/EPAct.htm.


Bryan Slater,
Assistant Secretary for Administration and Management.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Christina Yancey by email at ChiefEvaluationOffice@dol.gov or by phone at (202)693–5910.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background: The Chief Evaluation Office (CEO), in collaboration with the Employment and Training Administration (ETA), of DOL seeks to build evidence about effective approaches to prepare Americans with skills and connect them to well-paying, middle- and high-skilled, and high growth jobs in H-lB industries (such as IT, healthcare, advanced manufacturing, financial services, and broadband). The evaluation will advance the evidence on innovative approaches being used to meet these goals in the TechHire Partnership (TechHire) and Strengthening Working Families Initiative (SWFI) grant programs. The evaluation will also include two components, an implementation study and an impact study. This Federal Register Notice provides the opportunity to comment on the proposed data collection instrument that will be used in the last stage of this evaluation.

18-month participant follow-up survey. The 18 month follow-up survey is the last piece of data collection required for this study. It will be administered 18 months after random assignment, to both the treatment and control groups. The purpose of the survey is to collect information on outcomes not available in existing data. These include current and past employment situation, hours worked, wages, shift work, employer benefits, job search activities, job satisfaction, promotion, education and training participation, criminal justice involvement, and childcare. The information will be delivered via a web survey, with three reminders sent via text message, email, and additional follow-up via telephone and field locator engagement.

II. Desired Focus of Comments:
Current DOL is soliciting comments concerning the above data collection for the Evaluation of Strategies Use in the TechHire and SWFI programs. DOL is particularly interested in comments that do the following:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency’s burden estimate of the proposed information collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions;
enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology—for example, permitting electronic submissions of responses.

III. Current Action

At this time, DOL is requesting clearance for an 18-month participant follow-up survey. The Bureau of Labor Statistics is soliciting comments concerning the proposed information collection request. The 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: Erin Good, BLS Clearance Officer, 202–691–7763 (this is not a toll free number). (See ADDRESSES section.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The CPS has been the principal source of the official Government statistics on employment and unemployment since 1940. Collection of labor force data through the CPS is necessary to meet the requirements in Title 29, United States Code, Sections 1 and 2. The Veterans Supplement provides information on the labor force status of veterans with a service-connected disability; combat-zone veterans; past or present National Guard and Reserve members; recently discharged veterans; and Afghanistan, Iraq, and Vietnam veterans. The supplement also provides information on veterans' participation in various transition and employment and training programs. The data collected through this supplement will be used by the Veterans Employment and Training Service and the Department of Veterans Affairs to determine policies that better meet the needs of our Nation’s veteran population.

II. Current Action

Office of Management and Budget clearance is being sought for the Veterans Supplement to the CPS. An extension without change of a currently approved collection is needed to continue to provide the Nation with timely information about the labor force status of veterans with a service-connected disability; combat-zone veterans; past or present National Guard and Reserve members; recently discharged veterans; and veterans who have served in Afghanistan, Iraq, or Vietnam.

III. Desired Focus of Comments

The Bureau of Labor Statistics is particularly interested in comments that:

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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 May 6, 2019.

AFFECTION PUBLIC: TechHire and SWFI grantees and partners.

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