

necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

#### Inter-Market Competition

The proposal does not impose an undue burden on inter-market competition. The Exchange believes its proposal remains competitive with other options markets and will offer market participants with another choice of where to transact options. The Exchange notes that it operates in a highly competitive market in which market participants can readily favor competing venues if they deem fee levels at a particular venue to be excessive, or rebate opportunities available at other venues to be more favorable. In such an environment, the Exchange must continually adjust its fees to remain competitive with other exchanges that have been exempted from compliance with the statutory standards applicable to exchanges. Because competitors are free to modify their own fees in response, and because market participants may readily adjust their order routing practices, the Exchange believes that the degree to which fee changes in this market may impose any burden on competition is extremely limited.

Moreover, the proposal is designed to encourage Phlx members and member organizations to execute reversal and conversion and jelly roll strategies on the Exchange as a primary execution venue. To the extent that the proposed change attracts more reversal and conversion and jelly roll strategies to the Exchange, this increased order flow would continue to make the Exchange a more competitive venue for order execution.

#### Intra-Market Competition

The proposed amendments do not impose an undue burden on intra-market competition.

The Exchange's proposal to decrease the reversal and conversion and jelly roll strategy cap applicable to Lead Market Makers, Market Makers, Professionals, Firms and Broker-Dealers from \$1,000/\$700 daily (depending on the class of options) to \$200 daily, with the same qualifications as today, does not impose an undue burden on competition because all Lead Market Makers, Market Makers, Professionals, Firms and Broker-Dealers may qualify for the reversal and conversion and jelly roll strategy cap provided those strategies are executed on the same trading day for all classes of options in the aggregate when such members are trading either in their own proprietary accounts or on an agency basis. While Customers are not offered strategy caps,

Customers are not assessed Options Transaction Charges within Options 7, Section 4.

#### C. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received From Members, Participants, or Others

No written comments were either solicited or received.

#### III. Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action

The foregoing rule change has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(ii) of the Act.<sup>27</sup>

At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change, the Commission summarily may temporarily suspend such rule change if it appears to the Commission that such action is: (i) Necessary or appropriate in the public interest; (ii) for the protection of investors; or (iii) otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. If the Commission takes such action, the Commission shall institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule should be approved or disapproved.

#### IV. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and arguments concerning the foregoing, including whether the proposed rule change is consistent with the Act. Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

##### Electronic Comments

- Use the Commission's internet comment form (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>); or
- Send an email to [rule-comments@sec.gov](mailto:rule-comments@sec.gov). Please include File Number SR-Phlx-2022-07 on the subject line.

##### Paper Comments

- Send paper comments in triplicate to Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC 20549-1090.

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-Phlx-2022-07. This file number should be included on the subject line if email is used. To help the Commission process and review your comments more efficiently, please use only one method. The Commission will post all comments on the Commission's internet website (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>). Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statements with respect to the proposed rule change that are filed with the

Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed rule change between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be available for website viewing and printing in the Commission's Public Reference Room, 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC 20549 on official business days between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Copies of the filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the Exchange. All comments received will be posted without change. Persons submitting comments are cautioned that we do not redact or edit personal identifying information from comment submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. All submissions should refer to File Number SR-Phlx-2022-07, and should be submitted on or before March 21, 2022.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>28</sup>

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## SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

[Docket No: SSA-2022-0009]

### Agency Information Collection Activities: New Emergency Request

The Social Security Administration (SSA) publishes a list of information collection packages requiring clearance by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in compliance with Public Law 104-13, the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, effective October 1, 1995. This notice includes a new, emergency information collection.

SSA is asking OMB for approval of this information collection fourteen days after the date of publication of this **Federal Register** Notice, independent of public comment, due to its emergency nature. However, we still welcome comment on the accuracy of the agency's burden estimate; the need for the information; its practical utility; ways to enhance its quality, utility, and clarity; and ways to minimize burden on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. We will consider any comments when

<sup>27</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(ii).

<sup>28</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

we ultimately extend this information collection beyond the standard six-month emergency approval. Mail, email, or fax your comments and recommendations on the information collection(s) to the OMB Desk Officer and SSA Reports Clearance Officer at the following addresses or fax numbers.

(OMB) Office of Management and Budget, Attn: Desk Officer for SSA.

Comments: <https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain>. Submit your comments online referencing Docket ID Number [SSA-2022-0009].

(SSA) Social Security Administration, OLCA, Attn: Director, Office of Regulations and Reports Clearance, 3100 West High Rise, 6401 Security Blvd., Baltimore, MD 21235, Fax: 410-966-2830, Email address: [OR.Reports.Clearance@ssa.gov](mailto:OR.Reports.Clearance@ssa.gov).

Or you may submit your comments online through <https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain>, referencing Docket ID Number [SSA-2022-0009]. We recommend submitting comments via this link as the fastest way for them to reach us.

SSA is submitting the information collection below to OMB for clearance. If you wish to submit comments, we recommend you do so no later than March 30, 2022. However, please be aware that due to the emergency nature of this collection, SSA will be seeking OMB clearance in advance of this date. Individuals may obtain copies of this OMB clearance package by writing to [OR.Reports.Clearance@ssa.gov](mailto:OR.Reports.Clearance@ssa.gov).

**Electronic Protective Filing Tool—20 CFR 404.630, and 20 CFR 416.340–416.345—0960–NEW.**

The COVID-19 pandemic limited the public's access to Social Security Administration (SSA) Field Offices (FOs), requiring SSA to rapidly modernize and improve online services available to the public. Since the beginning of the pandemic, underserved populations who have historically relied on in-office appointments and service decreased their submissions of Supplemental Security Income (SSI) claims. SSA uses the term "People facing barriers" to refer to these vulnerable populations, which include low-income individuals (especially those over age 65), the homeless, people with limited English proficiency, and disabled children.

**Background**

Historically, individuals contact SSA by phone, in person, or by mail to express interest in filing for benefits. Because same-day service to file an application is not always possible or

individuals prefer to have an appointment, SSA technicians use eLAS (OMB No. 0960-0822) to set up appointments and record the protective filing date for potential claimants. This process ensures that potential claimants do not miss out on possible benefits due to the lack of same-day service.

Protective filing is the precursor to filing an application for benefits. Protective filing refers to the date by which SSA receives an individual's intent to file for Social Security benefits, Medicare Part A (Health Insurance), or SSI payments, which SSA then uses as the application date provided the individual files an application within a specific amount of time after that date. For instance, if an individual files an application for SSI payments within 60 days of the protective filing date, or an application for Social Security benefits within 6 months of the protective filing date, SSA uses the protective filing date as the application filing date. Thus, it is as if the application was filed on the day the individual contacted SSA to express interest in filing, which often results in SSA processing the application faster for that individual.

SSA developed an online tool to allow internet users to request an appointment to file an application for benefits and to establish a protective filing date with SSA. The electronic protective filing tool will allow individuals to submit information for the appointment request using a computing device, such as a personal computer or handheld (mobile) device instead of calling SSA by phone or visiting an FO. The tool will be available to potential claimants, as well as those individuals assisting them.

*Information the Electronic Protective Filing Tool Will Collect*

After entering the tool from a landing page, individuals begin on a welcome screen with a link to the Terms of Service and a link to the Privacy Act statement. Following review of the information on the welcome screen, the system will ask the individual to tell us whether they are answering these questions about themselves, or about another person. To do so, the system will present several options for individual to select from the categories of individuals who, under current regulations, can establish a protective filing date. The next screens ask for basic information about the individual who will be claiming benefits, or requesting SSI payments. Additionally, the tool will collect the name, phone number, and email address (optional) of the person submitting the information, if that person is different than the

person who will be claiming benefits or SSI payments.

Once the system collects the data, it gives the individual the opportunity to review the information provided and electronically sign and submit the form. The system then transmits the information into eLAS and establishes a protective filing date. In addition, if the individual provided an email address(es), the electronic protective filing tool generates an email confirmation and sends it to the individual who will be claiming benefits or requesting SSI payments, and, if applicable, to the individuals submitting the appointment request on the claimant's behalf.

Subsequently, eLAS will notify SSA of the pending request, and an SSA technician will use the information submitted to schedule an appointment and send a notification of the date, time, and type of appointment to the individual who will be claiming benefits.

**Need for Information Collection; Collection Methodology; How Information Will Be Used**

To bridge the gap in services available to people facing barriers, SSA created a new online electronic protective filing tool that will allow individuals to request an appointment to file their application thereby establishing a protective filing date.

SSA will inform the public of the availability of the tool through various public outreach campaigns. Individuals will access the tool online through SSA's website, [SSA.gov](http://SSA.gov). The tool will allow individuals to submit basic information for the appointment request using a computing device, such as a personal computer or handheld (mobile) device instead of calling SSA by phone or visiting an FO. The electronic protective filing tool will be available to potential claimants, as well as those individuals assisting them.

Once the individual submits the requested information, the system will transmit the information into eLAS to document the protective filing date, and an SSA technician will schedule an appointment for an application interview.

The respondents are individuals requesting an appointment with an intent to file for Social Security benefits, Medicare Part A (Health Insurance), or SSI payments, or other third-party individuals helping claimants with the filing process.

**Alternatives to Completing the Information Collection**

Members of the public who prefer not to use the online version of this IC, or who do not have access to the internet, may continue to visit an FO, call SSA’s 800 Number (or an FO), or write to SSA to establish a protective filing date for an application for benefits.

**Need for Emergency Paperwork Reduction Act Approval**

Based on the unexpected decrease in SSI claim submissions, mostly from people facing barriers, SSA is concerned this population needs more options and flexibility to help them apply for SSI. Our goal in developing this new SSI claims tool is to offer that flexibility, and to make it as easy as possible to complete the process. We are seeking

emergency PRA approval because it is important to us to start offering this new tool to everyone, particularly underserved populations, as soon as we can. An emergency PRA approval would facilitate rapid rollout of the tool, and would mitigate the delay inherent in the extensive time period of the standard OMB approval cycle.

*Type of Request:* New (emergency) information collection.

Modality of completion	Number of respondents	Frequency of response	Average burden per response (minutes)	Estimated total annual burden (hours)	Average theoretical hourly cost amount (dollars)*	Total annual opportunity cost (dollars)**
Respondent Type 1 (ex: Potential Applicants) .....	17,000	1	6	1,700	* \$27.07	** \$46,019
Respondent Type 2 (ex: Professional Assistors) .....	2,125	10	7	2,479	* 25.09	** 62,198
Respondent Type 3 (ex: Attorney Representatives) .....	2,125	2	7	496	* 71.59	** 35,509
Totals .....	21,250	.....	.....	4,675	.....	** 143,726

\* We based this figure on the average U.S. worker’s hourly wages, as reported by Bureau of Labor Statistics data ([https://www.bls.gov/oes/current/oes\\_nat.htm#00-0000](https://www.bls.gov/oes/current/oes_nat.htm#00-0000)), on average wages for Community and Social Service Organizations as reported by Bureau of Labor Statistics data (<https://www.bls.gov/oes/current/oes210000.htm>), and on average lawyer’s hourly salary as reported by Bureau of Labor Statistics data (<https://www.bls.gov/oes/current/oes231011.htm>).

\*\* This figure does not represent actual costs that SSA is imposing on recipients of Social Security payments to complete this online tool; rather, these are theoretical opportunity costs for the additional time respondents will spend to complete the tool. *There is no actual charge to respondents to complete the online tool.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

[Public Notice: 11665]

**Notice of Shipping Coordinating Committee Meeting in Preparation for International Maritime Organization LEG 109 Meeting**

The Department of State will conduct a public meeting at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 15, 2022, by way of teleconference. The primary purpose of the meeting is to prepare for the 109th session of the International Maritime Organization’s (IMO) Legal Committee (LEG 109) to be held remotely from March 21 to March 25, 2022.

Members of the public may participate up to the capacity of the teleconference phone line, which can handle 500 participants. To RSVP, participants should contact the meeting coordinator, Mr. Stephen Hubchen, by email at [Stephen.K.Hubchen@uscg.mil](mailto:Stephen.K.Hubchen@uscg.mil). To access the teleconference line, participants should call (202) 475-4000 and use Participant Code: 877 239 87#.

The agenda items to be considered at this meeting mirror those to be considered at LEG 109, and include:

- Adoption of the agenda
- Report of the Secretary-General on credentials
- Facilitation of the entry into force and harmonized interpretation of the 2010 HNS Protocol
- Fair treatment of seafarers:
  - (a) Provision of financial security in case of abandonment of seafarers, and shipowners’ responsibilities in respect of contractual claims for personal injury to, or death of, seafarers, in light of the progress of amendments to the ILO Maritime Labour Convention, 2006
  - (b) Fair treatment of seafarers in the event of a maritime accident
  - (c) Fair treatment of seafarers detained on suspicion of committing maritime crimes
  - (d) Guidelines for port State and flag State authorities on how to deal with seafarer abandonment cases
- Advice and guidance in connection with the implementation of IMO instruments
- Measures to prevent unlawful practices associated with the fraudulent registration and fraudulent registries of ships
- Measures to assess the need to amend liability limits

- Claims Manual for the International Convention on Civil Liability for Bunker Oil Pollution Damage, 2001
- Piracy and armed robbery against ships
- Work of other IMO bodies
- Technical cooperation activities related to maritime legislation
- Review of the status of conventions and other treaty instruments emanating from the Legal Committee
- Work programme
- Election of officers
- Any other business
- Consideration of the report of the Committee on its 109th session

*Please note:* The IMO may, on short notice, adjust the LEG 109 agenda to accommodate the constraints associated with the virtual meeting format. Any changes to the agenda will be reported to those who RSVP.

Those who plan to participate may contact the meeting coordinator, Mr. Stephen Hubchen, by email at [Stephen.K.Hubchen@uscg.mil](mailto:Stephen.K.Hubchen@uscg.mil), by phone at (202) 372-1198, or in writing at United States Coast Guard (CG-LMI-P), ATTN: Mr. Stephen Hubchen, 2703 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave. SE, Stop 7509, Washington, DC 20593-7509. Members of the public needing reasonable accommodation should advise Mr. Hubchen not later than March 8, 2022. Requests made after that