

opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of a currently approved collection and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on the information needed to determine the number of interments conducted at State veterans' cemeteries.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before October 16, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information to Joycelyn Hearn, National Cemetery Administration (402B), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0559" in any correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joycelyn Hearn at (202) 273-5181 or FAX (202) 273-6695.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA of 1995 (Public Law 104-13; 44 U.S.C., 3501-3520), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, NCA invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of NCA's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of NCA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

Title: State Cemetery Data, VA Form 40-0241.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0559.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: VA Form 40-0241 is used to collect information regarding the number of interments conducted at state veterans' cemeteries each year. This information is necessary for budget and oversight purposes.

Affected Public: Individuals or households and State, Local or Tribal Government.

Estimated Annual Burden: 65.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 60 minutes.

Frequency of Response: Annually.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 65.

Dated: August 1, 2000.

By direction of the Acting Secretary.

Donald L. Neilson,

Director, Information Management Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0017]

Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C., 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs, has submitted the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden; it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before September 18, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY OF THE SUBMISSION CONTACT: Denise McLamb, Information Management Service (045A4), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420, (202) 273-8030 or FAX (202) 273-5981. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0017."

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Titles and Form Numbers:

- a. Court Appointed Fiduciary's Account (legal size), VA Form 21-4706.
- b. Federal Fiduciary's Account, VA Form 21-4706b.
- c. Court Appointed Fiduciary's Account, VA Form 21-4706c.
- d. Account Book, VA Form 21-4718.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0017.

Type of Review: Reinstatement, with change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

Abstract: The information is used to audit accounts of fiduciaries and

monitor estate supervision issues to include the need for suspension of benefits when warranted.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published December 2, 1999 at pages 67626-67627.

Affected Public: Individuals or households, Business or other for-profit, Not-for-profit institutions, State, Local or Tribal Government.

Estimated Annual Burden:

- a. VA Form 21-4706—2,628 hours.
- b. VA Form 21-4706b—3,933 hours.
- c. VA Form 21-4706c—2,808 hours.
- d. VA Form 21-4718—13,140 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per

Respondent:

- a. VA Form 21-4706—30 minutes.
- b. VA Form 21-4706b—27 minutes.
- c. VA Form 21-4706c—30 minutes.
- d. VA Form 21-4718—2 hours and 30 minutes.

Frequency of Response: Once annually.

Estimated Number of Respondents:

- a. VA Form 21-4706—5,256.
- b. VA Form 21-4706b—8,740.
- c. VA Form 21-4706c—5,616.
- d. VA Form 21-4718—5,256.

Send comments and

recommendations concerning any aspect of the information collection to VA's OMB Desk Officer, Allison Eydt, OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 (202) 395-4650. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0017" in any correspondence.

Dated: July 21, 2000.

By direction of the Secretary.

Sandra McIntyre,

Management Analyst, Information Management Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0073]

Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995

(44 U.S.C., 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs, has submitted the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden; it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before September 18, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY OF THE SUBMISSION CONTACT: Denise McLamb, Information Management Service (045A4), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420, (202) 273-8030 or FAX (202) 273-5981. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0073."

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Enrollment Certification, VA Form 22-1999. (NOTE: A reference to VA Form 22-1999 also includes VA Forms 22-1999-1, 22-1999-2, and 22-1999-3 unless otherwise specified. VA Forms 22-1999-1, 22-1999-2, and 22-1999-3 contain the same information as VA Form 22-1999.)

OMB Control Number: 2900-0073.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: Educational institutions and job training establishments use VA Form 22-1999 to report information concerning the enrollment or reenrollment into training of veterans, service persons, reservists, and other eligible persons. The information collected on VA Form 22-1999 is used by VA to determine the amount of educational benefits payable to the trainee during the period of enrollment or training and to determine whether the trainee has requested an advanced payment of benefits. Without the information, VA would not have a basis upon which to make payment.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on April 11, 2000 at pages 19433-19434.

Affected Public: Not-for-profit institutions, Business or other for-profit, and State, Local or Tribal Government.

Estimated Annual Burden: 120,967 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 10 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion (The number of responses per respondent will vary according to the

number of trainees who receive VA benefits at the educational institution or job training establishment during a 12-month period).

Estimated Annual Responses:

725,802.

Estimated Number of Respondents:

7,514.

Send comments and recommendations concerning any aspect of the information collection to VA's OMB Desk Officer, Allison Eydt, OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 (202) 395-4650. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0073" in any correspondence.

Dated: July 19, 2000.

By direction of the Secretary.

Donald L. Neilson,

Director, Information Management Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0178]

Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C., 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs, has submitted the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden; it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before September 18, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY OF THE SUBMISSION CONTACT: Denise McLamb, Information Management Service (045A4), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420, (202) 273-8030 or FAX (202) 273-5981. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0178."

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Monthly Certification of On-the-Job and Apprenticeship Training, VA Form 22-6553d. (NOTE: A reference to VA Form 22-6553d also includes VA Form 22-6553d-1 unless otherwise specified. VA Form 22-6553d-1

contains the same information as VA Form 22-6553d.)

OMB Control Number: 2900-0178.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: The form is used by trainees and employers to report the number of hours worked in on-the-job training programs and apprenticeships, and to report terminations of training in such programs. VA uses the information to determine whether a trainee's education benefits are to be continued, changed or terminated, and the effective date of such action. VA is authorized to pay education benefits to veterans and other eligible persons pursuing approved programs not leading to a standard college degree under Title 38, U.S.C., Chapters 32 and 35, Title 10, U.S.C., Chapter 1606, and Public Law 96-342, Section 903. Benefits are authorized monthly based upon the number of hours worked by the trainee and verified by the training establishment. Unscheduled terminations result in termination of the award of benefits. Reduction of hours worked to less than a full-time work schedule results in reduction of benefits. The form is completed by the trainee and the training establishment to report to VA the number of hours worked and/or to report the date of termination.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on March 17, 2000 at pages 14648-14649.

Affected Public: Individuals or households, Business or other for-profit, Not-for-profit institutions, and State, Local or Tribal Government.

Estimated Annual Burden: 15,975 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 10 minutes.

Frequency of Response: Monthly.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 10,650.

Number of Responses Annually: 95,850.

Send comments and recommendations concerning any aspect of the information collection to VA's OMB Desk Officer, Allison Eydt, OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 (202) 395-4650. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0178" in any correspondence.

Dated: July 19, 2000.