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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration on Aging

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Certification of Maintenance of Effort Form Title III of the Older Americans Act, Grants for State and Community Programs on Aging

AGENCY: Administration on Aging, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Administration on Aging (AoA) is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (the PRA), Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of an existing collection of information, and to allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on the information collection requirements relating to Certification of Maintenance of Effort Form Title III of the Older Americans Act, Grants for State and Community Programs on Aging.

DATES: Submit written or electronic comments on the collection of information by May 31, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Submit electronic comments on the collection of information to: *margaret.tolson@aoa.gov.*

Submit written comments on the collection of information to: Administration on Aging, Washington, DC 20201. Attention: Margaret Tolson.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Margaret Tolson, telephone: (202) 357–3440; e-mail: *margaret.tolson@aoa.gov.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA (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. ''Collection of information'' is defined in 44 U.S.C. 3502(3) and 5 CFR 1320.3(c) and includes agency request or requirements that members of the public submit reports, keep records, or provide information to a third party. Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)) requires Federal agencies to provide a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of an existing collection of information, before submitting the collection to OMB for approval. To comply with this requirement, AoA is publishing notice of the proposed collection of information set forth in this document. With respect to the following collection of information, AoA invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of AoA's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of AoA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (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 when appropriate, and other forms of information technology.

Title III of the Older Americans Act, Section 309(c), requires that a state's allotment be reduced by the percentage by which its state expenditures for a given fiscal year are less than its average annual expenditures from state sources for the period of three consecutive fiscal years preceding such fiscal year. Since information collected on the SF–269 report combines the funds from state and local sources, the Administration on Aging is unable to identify funds solely from State sources. The information contained on the Certification of Maintenance of Effort form will be used by the Administration on Aging to verify the amount of state expenditures and make comparisons with the average annual expenditures for the period of three consecutive fiscal years preceding the given year to assure that a state is in compliance with 45 CFR 1321.49.

AoA estimates the burden of this collection of information as follows: Approximately one-half hour per respondent with 52 State Agencies on Aging responding annually, thus producing a burden of 26 hours per year.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Proposed Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

Proposed Projects

Title: Adoption and Foster Care Analysis Reporting System for title IV–B and title IV–E.

OMB No.: 0980–0267.

Description

Section 479 of title IV–E of the Social Security Act directs States to establish and implement an adoption and foster care reporting system. The data are used for a number of reasons, including responding to Congressional requests for current data on children in foster care or those who have been adopted; responding to questions and requests from other Federal departments and agencies; trend analyses and short- and long-term planning; targeting areas for greater or potential technical assistance efforts; and determining and assessing outcomes for children and families.

Respondents: States, District of Columbia and Puerto Rico.

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

Instrument	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Total burden hours
AFCARS (Electronic Submission)	52	2	2,971.89	309,077

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 309,077.

In compliance with the requirements of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Administration for Children and

Families is soliciting public comment on the specific aspects of the information collection described above. Copies of the proposed collection of information can be obtained and comments may be forwarded by writing to the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Administration, Office of Information Services, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, SW., Washington, DC 20447, Attn: ACF Reports Clearance Officer. E-mail address: *grjohnson@acf.hhs.gov.* All requests should be identified by the title of the information collection.

The Department specifically requests comments on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted within 60 days of this publication.

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Robert Sargis,

Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 2004N–0554]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for Office of Management and Budget Review; Irradiation in the Production, Processing, and Handling of Food

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing that a proposed collection of information has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Fax written comments on the collection of information by April 28, 2005.

ADDRESSES: OMB is still experiencing significant delays in the regular mail, including first class and express mail, and messenger deliveries are not being accepted. To ensure that comments on the information collection are received, OMB recommends that comments be faxed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, OMB, Attn: Fumie Yokota, Desk Officer for FDA, FAX: 202–395–6974.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Peggy Robbins, Office of Management Programs (HFA–250), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, 301–827–1223.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In compliance with 44 U.S.C. 3507, FDA has submitted the following proposed collection of information to OMB for review and clearance.

Irradiation in the Production, Processing, and Handling of Food—21 CFR 179.21 (OMB Control Number 0910–0549)—Extension

Under section 409(a) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (the act) (21 U.S.C. 348(a)), the use of a food additive is deemed unsafe unless it conforms to the terms of a regulation prescribing its use, or to an exemption for investigational use, or in the case of a food additive that is a food contact substance, there is in effect a regulation prescribing the conditions under which such additive may be safely used or a notification that is effective. In response to a petition that is submitted under section 409 of the act to establish that a food additive is safe, the agency may either: (1) By order establish a regulation (whether or not in accord with that proposed by the petitioner) prescribing, with respect to one or more proposed uses of the food additive involved, the conditions under which such additive may be safely used (including, but not limited to, specifications as to the particular food or classes of food in or on which such additive may be used, the maximum quantity which may be used or permitted to remain in or on such food, the manner in which such additive may be added to or used in or on such food, and any directions or other labeling or packaging requirements for such additive deemed necessary by him to assure the safety of such use), and shall notify the petitioner of such order and the reasons for such action; or (2) by order deny the petition and notify the petitioner of such order and of the reasons for such action.

In response to a petition filed by Science Applications International Corp., who subsequently transferred their rights to the petition to Ancore Corp., FDA published in the **Federal Register** of December 21, 2004, a document that amended 21 CFR 179.21 to provide for the use of sources of monoenergetic neutrons to inspect cargo containers that may contain food. Under this regulation, monoenergetic neutron sources producing neutrons at energies not less than 1 million electron volts (MeV) but no greater than 14 MeV may be used for inspection of cargo containers that may contain food, providing that the neutron source bears a label stating the minimum and maximum energy of radiation emitted by the source. The regulation also requires that the label or accompanying labeling bear adequate directions for safe use and a statement that no food shall be exposed to this radiation source so as to receive a dose in excess of 0.01 gray. FDA has determined that this information is needed to assure safe use of the source of radiation.

In the **Federal Register** of January 4, 2005 (70 FR 366), FDA published a 60-day notice requesting public comment on the information collection provisions. No comments were received.

FDA estimates the burden for this collection of information as follows:

TABLE 1.—ESTIMATED ANNUAL REPORTING BURDEN[1]

21 CFR Section	Number of Respondents	Annual Frequency Per Response	Total Annual Responses	Hours Per Response	Total Operating and aintenance Costs	Total Hours
179.21(a)(5) and (b)(2)(v)	1	1	1	1	$100	1

[1]There are no capital costs associated with this collection of information.