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#### Office of Educational Research and Improvement

*Type of Review:* Reinstatement.

*Title:* Annual Performance Reporting Form for Office of Indian Education (OIE) Local Grantees.

*Frequency:* Annually.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

Responses: 1,272.

Burden Hours: 5,088.

*Abstract:* This data collection will be conducted annually to obtain program and performance information from local education agencies on their project activities. The information collected will assist federal program staff in responding to the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA). Data will primarily be collected through an internet form. Grantees without internet access will complete a paper version of this form.

Written comments and requests for copies of the proposed information collection request should be addressed to Vivian Reese, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651, or should be electronically mailed to the internet address [Vivian\\_Reese@ed.gov](mailto:Vivian_Reese@ed.gov), or should be faxed to 202-708-9346.

For questions regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements, contact Kathy Axt at 202-708-9902. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

##### Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**SUMMARY:** The Acting Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before August 16, 1999.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of

1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Acting Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: June 11, 1999.

**William E. Burrow,**

*Acting Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

##### Office of the Under Secretary

*Type of Review:* New.

*Title:* Evaluation of the Eisenhower Regional Consortia Program.

*Frequency:* Annually.

*Affected Public:* Not-for-profit institutions; State, local or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

Responses: 1,562.

Burden Hours: 781.

*Abstract:* The Evaluation of the Eisenhower Regional Consortia Program is designed to determine the quality and effectiveness of technical assistance and professional development activities that

each of the 10 Consortia provide to educators in their respective regions. The evaluation is mandated by Congress and is needed to provide information on the program in time for the reauthorization of the program. In addition, the evaluation is designed to provide information to measure the program's Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) performance indicators. Respondents to the surveys being submitted for clearance include State Education Agency staff and other state-level educators, as well as local educators who have received Consortia services.

Written comments and requests for copies of the proposed information collection request should be addressed to Vivian Reese, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651, or should be electronically mailed to the internet address [Vivian\\_Reese@ed.gov](mailto:Vivian_Reese@ed.gov), or should be faxed to 202-708-9346.

For questions regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements, contact Jacqueline Montague at 202-708-5359. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

##### Arbitration Panel Decision Under the Randolph-Sheppard Act

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**ACTION:** Notice of arbitration panel decision under the Randolph-Sheppard Act.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that on July 31, 1998, an arbitration panel rendered a decision in the matter of *Donald R. Williams v. North Carolina Department of Human Resources, Division of Services for the Blind (Docket No. R-S/97-9)*. This panel was convened by the U.S. Department of Education pursuant to 20 U.S.C. 107d-1(a), upon receipt of a complaint filed by petitioner, Donald R. Williams.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:** A copy of the full text of the arbitration panel decision may be obtained from George F. Arsnow, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., room 3230, Mary E. Switzer Building, Washington DC 20202-2738. Telephone: (202) 205-9317. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf