

SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Public Federal Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Hearing; Region I Regulatory Fairness Board

The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) Region I Regulatory Fairness Board and the SBA Office of the National Ombudsman will hold a National Regulatory Fairness Hearing on Thursday, August 16, 2007, at 10 a.m. The forum will take place at the Portland SCORE Office, 100 Middle Street, 2nd Floor, Portland, ME 04101. The purpose of the meeting is for Business Organizations, Trade Associations, Chambers of Commerce and related organizations serving small business concerns to report experiences regarding unfair or excessive Federal regulatory enforcement issues affecting their members.

Anyone wishing to attend or to make a presentation must contact Bonnie Erickson, in writing or by fax in order to be placed on the agenda. Bonnie Erickson, Public Information Officer, SBA, Augusta District Office, 68 Sewall Street, Room 512, Augusta, ME 04330, phone (207) 622-8275 and fax (207) 622-8277, e-mail: Bonnie.erickson@sba.gov.

For more information, see our Web site at <http://www.sba.gov/ombudsman>.

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SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Request and Comment Request

The Social Security Administration (SSA) publishes a list of information collection packages that will require

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. The information collection packages that may be included in this notice are for new information collections, approval of existing information collections, revisions to OMB-approved information collections, and extensions (no change) of OMB-approved information collections.

SSA is soliciting comments 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 on ways to minimize burden on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Written comments and recommendations regarding the information collection(s) should be submitted to the OMB Desk Officer and the SSA Reports Clearance Officer. The information can be mailed, faxed or e-mailed to the individuals at the addresses and fax numbers listed below:

(OMB), Office of Management and Budget, Attn: Desk Officer for SSA, Fax: 202-395-6974, E-mail address: OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov (SSA), Social Security Administration, DCBFBM, Attn: Reports Clearance Officer, 1333 Annex Building, 6401 Security Blvd., Baltimore, MD 21235, Fax: 410-965-6400, E-mail address: OPLM.RCO@ssa.gov

I. The information collections listed below are pending at SSA and will be submitted to OMB within 60 days from the date of this notice. Therefore, your comments should be submitted to SSA within 60 days from the date of this publication. You can obtain copies of the collection instruments by calling the SSA Reports Clearance Officer at 410-965-0454 or by writing to the address listed above.

1. Authorization for SSA to Disclose Tax Information for Your Appeal of Your Medicare Part B Income-Related Monthly Adjustment Premium Amount—20 CFR 418.1350—NEW. Medicare Part B beneficiaries who wish to appeal SSA's reconsideration of their Income-Related Monthly Adjustment Amount (IRMAA) must ensure that the relevant Internal Revenue Service (IRS) income tax data is made available to the Health and Human Services Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) who will consider their appeal. Currently, SSA is using IRS Form-8821 to obtain beneficiary authorization to disclose the IRS beneficiary tax data to the ALJ. With IRS's permission, SSA has developed its own form for this purpose, the SSA-54. The respondents are Medicare Part B recipients who want to appeal SSA's reconsideration of their IRMAA amount.

Type of Request: New information collection.

Number of Respondents: 6,000.

Frequency of Response: 1.

Average Burden per Response: 15 minutes.

Estimated Annual Burden: 1,500 hours.

2. Request for Corrections of Earnings Record—20 CFR 404.820 & 20 CFR 422.125—0960-0029. The information collected by Form SSA-7008 is needed when an individual alleges his/her earnings record is inaccurate. The information is used to check against the record maintained by SSA and, as necessary, initiate development to resolve the issue. The respondents are individuals who request correction of earnings posted to their Social Security earnings record.

Type of Request: Extension of an OMB-approved information collection.

Number of Respondents: 375,000.

Estimated Annual Burden: 62,500 hours.

	Number of respondents	Frequency of response	Estimated burden per response (minutes)	Estimated annual burden (hours)
Paper Version	37,500	1	10	6,250.
In-person or telephone interview	337,500	1	10	56,250.
Total	375,000	62,500.

II. The information collections listed below have been submitted to OMB for clearance. Your comments on the information collections would be most useful if received by OMB and SSA within 30 days from the date of this

publication. You can obtain a copy of the OMB clearance packages by calling the SSA Reports Clearance Officer at 410-965-0454, or by writing to the address listed above.

1. Electronic Records Express Third-Party Registration Form—0960-NEW. ERE (Electronic Records Express) is an online system which enables medical providers and various third parties to submit disability claimant information