

hereby given that closed meetings of the Department of Defense Wage Committee will be held on January 4, 2000, January 11, 2000, January 18, 2000, and January 25, 2000, at 10 a.m. in Room A105, The Nash Building, 1400 Key Boulevard, Rosslyn, Virginia.

Under the provisions of section 10(d) of Pub. L. 92-463, the Department of Defense has determined that the meetings meet the criteria to close meetings to the public because the matters to be considered are related to internal rules and practices of the Department of Defense and the detailed wage data to be considered were obtained from officials of private establishments with a guarantee that the data will be held in confidence.

However, members of the public who may wish to do so are invited to submit material in writing to the chairman concerning matters believed to be deserving of the Committee's attention.

Additional information concerning the meetings may be obtained by writing to the Chairman, Department of Defense Wage Committee, 4000 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-4000.

Dated: December 6, 1999.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The 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 February 8, 2000.

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 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: December 6, 1999.

William Burrow,

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

Office of Educational Research and Improvement

Type of Review: Revision.

Title: Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS), Introduction to the Web-Based Collection on Institutional Price and Student Financial Aid and Modifications to the 2000-2002 Data Collection Items.

Frequency: Biennially.

Affected Public: Individuals or household; Not-for-profit institutions.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 9,850. Burden Hours: 202,636.

Abstract: IPEDS is a system of surveys designed to collect basic data from approximately 10,000 postsecondary institutions in the United States. The IPEDS provides information on numbers of students enrolled, degrees completed, other awards earned, dollars expended, staff employed at postsecondary institutions, and cost and pricing information. The amendments to the Higher Education Act of 1998, Part C, Sec. 131, specify the need for the "redesign of relevant data systems to

improve the usefulness and timeliness of the data collected by such systems." As a consequence, in 2000 the IPEDS is proposing a web-based data collection for all items previously collected via paper forms from Title IV eligible institutions.

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 OCIO_IMG_Issues@ed.gov or should be faxed to 202-708-9346.

Written comments or questions regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be directed to Kathy Axt at (703) 426-9692 or via her internet address Kathy.Axt@ed.gov. 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

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Office of Bilingual Education: Program Development and Implementation Grants Program

AGENCY: Department of Education.

ACTION: Correction and Extension Notice.

SUMMARY: On November 17, 1999, a notice inviting applications for new awards for FY 2000 was published in the **Federal Register** (64 FR 62949 through 62969). This notice was a complete application package and contained all of the information; application forms and instructions needed to apply for a grant under this program. There were five items inadvertently omitted from the application package. They are Project Documentation, Group Application Certification, Student Data, Instructions for Form 524 and a list of Empowerment Zones and Enterprise Communities. All have been included as attachments to this correction notice. In addition, the copy of ED Forms No. 524 (Budget Information for Non-Construction Programs) has expired and a copy of the new form is also included as an attachment to this notice.

Note: This notice also extends the deadline for transmittal of applications as follows:

Deadline for Transmittal of Applications: January 17, 2000.