

include on the form all the questions relating to nontaxable income that the commenters thought should be specifically included.

The Secretary is publishing this additional request for comment under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. §§ 3501 *et seq.* Under that Act, ED must obtain the review and approval of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) before it may use a form to collect information. However, under the procedure for obtaining approval from OMB, ED must first obtain public comment on the proposed form, and to obtain that comment, ED must publish this notice in the **Federal Register**.

To accommodate the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act, the Secretary is interested in receiving comments with regard to the following matters: (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: February 18, 1998.

**Gloria Parker,**

*Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

#### Office of Postsecondary Education

*Type of Review:* Revision.

*Title:* Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

*Frequency:* Annually.

*Affected Public:* Individuals and families.

*Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:* Responses: 9,998,997; Burden Hours: 6,274,770.

*Abstract:* The FAFSA collects identifying and financial information about a student and his or her family if the student applies for Title IV, Higher Education Act (HEA) Program funds. This information is used to calculate the student's expected family contribution, which is used to determine a student's financial need. The information is also used to determine the student's eligibility for grants and loans under the Title IV, HEA Programs. It is further used for determining a student's eligibility and need for State and institutional financial aid programs.

[FR Doc. 98-4615 Filed 2-23-98; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 4000-01-P

## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**ACTION:** Proposed collection; comment request.

**SUMMARY:** The Deputy Chief Information Officer, 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 April 27, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and requests for copies of the proposed information collection requests should be addressed to Patrick J. Sherrill, Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, S.W., Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Patrick J. Sherrill (202) 708-8196.

Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

**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 Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes this 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 at the address specified above. Copies of the requests are available from Patrick J. Sherrill at the address specified above.

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: February 18, 1998.

**Gloria Parker,**

*Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

#### Office of the Under Secretary

*Type of Review:* New

*Title:* Follow-up Study of State Implementation of Federal Elementary and Secondary Education Programs

*Frequency:* One time

*Affected Public:* State, local or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour*

*Burden:* Responses: 459; Burden Hours: 459

*Abstract:* The Department of Education is charged with evaluating Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act and other elementary and secondary education legislation enacted by the 103d Congress. These surveys will collect information on the operations and effects at the state level of legislative provisions and federal assistance, in the context of state education reform efforts. Findings will be used in reporting to Congress and improving information dissemination. Respondents are managers in nine programs in all 50 state education agencies.

[FR Doc. 98-4616 Filed 2-23-98; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 4000-01-P

## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**ACTION:** Submission for OMB review; comment request.

**SUMMARY:** The Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before March 26, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Danny Werfel, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503. Requests for copies of the proposed information collection requests should be addressed to Patrick J. Sherrill, Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, S.W., Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Patrick J. Sherrill (202) 708-8196.

Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

**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 Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes this 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 at the address specified above. Copies of the requests are available from Patrick J. Sherrill at the address specified above.

Dated: February 18, 1998.

**Gloria Parker,**

*Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

#### **Office of Postsecondary Education**

*Type of Review:* Extension

*Title:* Performance Report for the Training Program for Federal TRIO Programs

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

*Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:* Responses: 16 Burden Hours: 60

*Abstract:* Data assures that grantees have conducted the project for which funded, signals problems of implementation, and indicates extent and quality of performance. The Department uses reports in evaluating project for continuation, assessing technical assistance needs, determining future funding levels and in assigning scores to projects in competition for new grants.

#### **Office of Postsecondary Education**

*Type of Review:* Extension

*Title:* Application for Grants Under the Centers for International Business Education Program

*Frequency:* Every 3 to 4 years

*Affected Public:* Not-for-profit institutions

*Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:* Responses: 30 Burden Hours: 560

*Abstract:* Centers for International Business Education: Collect program and budget information to make grants to institutions of higher education.

This information collection is being submitted under the Streamlined Clearance Process for Discretionary Grant Information Collections (OMB Control No. 1890-0001). Therefore, this 30-day public comment period notice will be the only public comment notice published for this information collection.

[FR Doc. 98-4617 Filed 2-23-98; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 4000-01-M

#### **DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

(CFDA No.: 84.264A)

#### **Rehabilitation Continuing Education Programs; Notice inviting applications for new awards for fiscal year (FY) 1998**

*Purpose of Program:* To support cooperative agreements for training centers that serve either a Federal region or another geographic area and provide a broad, integrated sequence of training activities throughout a multi-State geographical area that focus on meeting recurrent and common training needs of employed rehabilitation personnel.

*Eligible Applicants:* State and public or nonprofit agencies and organizations, including Indian tribes and institutions of higher education.

*Supplementary Information:* On September 22, 1997, the Secretary

published in the **Federal Register** a notice inviting applications for Rehabilitation Continuing Education Programs. The two applications submitted from Region VII, and the one application submitted from Region X, were found unacceptable. The Secretary believes that by reannouncing the competition in Region VII and Region X, acceptable applications will be submitted.

*Deadline for Transmittal of Applications:* April 10, 1998.

*Deadline for Intergovernmental Review:* June 9, 1998.

*Applications Available:* February 24, 1998.

*Available Funds:* \$685,620.

*Estimated Range of Awards:* \$318,612-\$348,500.

*Maximum Awards by Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA)*

*Region:* In no case does the Secretary make an initial award greater than the amount listed for each of the following RSA regions for a single budget period of 12 months. The Secretary rejects and does not consider an application that proposes a budget exceeding this amount.

*Maximum Level of Awards by RSA Region:*

Region VII—\$348,500

Region X—\$337,120

**Note:** Applicants should apply for level funding for each project year. Also, applicants are subject to a four percent cost-share requirement on awards.

*Estimated Number of Awards:* 2.

**Note:** Applications are invited for the provision of training for Department of Education Regions VII and X only. The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

*Project Period:* Up to 60 months.

*Applicable Regulations:* (a) The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in 34 CFR Parts 74, 75, 77, 79, 80, 81, 82, and 86; and (b) The regulations for this program in 34 CFR Parts 385 and 389.

**Note:** The regulations in 34 CFR Part 79 apply to all applicants except federally recognized Indian tribes.

**Note:** The regulations in 34 CFR Part 86 apply to institutions of higher education only.

Specifically note that under section 21(b)(6) of the Rehabilitation Act, as amended, applicants are required to demonstrate how they will address, in whole or in part, the needs of individuals with disabilities from minority backgrounds.

*For Applications Contact:* The Grants and Contracts Service Team (GCST), U.S. Department of Education, 600