

Dated: March 12, 2002.

**John Tressler,**

*Leader, Regulatory Information Management,  
Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

**Office of Special Education and  
Rehabilitative Services**

*Type of Review:* Reinstatement.

*Title:* Special Education—Personnel  
Preparation to Improve Services and  
Results for Children with Disabilities.

*Frequency:* On Occasion, Annually.

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

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour  
Burden:*

Responses: 8,000.

Burden Hours: 152,500.

*Abstract:* The data collection proposed under this request is included in proposed regulations that would implement section 673(h) of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) which requires that individuals who receive a scholarship through personnel preparation projects funded under the Act to subsequently provide special education and related services to children with disabilities (or, for leadership personnel, work in areas related to their preparation) for a period of two years for every year for which assistance was received. Scholarship recipients who do not satisfy their service obligation must repay all or part of the cost of their assistance in accordance with regulations issued by the Secretary. These proposed regulations would implement requirements governing, among other things, the service obligation for scholars, oversight by grantees, repayment (or "payback") of scholarship, and procedures for obtaining deferrals or exemptions from service or repayment obligations. In order for the Federal government to justify the expenditure of public funds under this program, certain data collections, recordkeeping, and documentation are necessary to ensure that goals of the program are achieved.

Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, or should be addressed to Vivian Reese, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Room 4050, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651 or to the e-mail address [vivian.reese@ed.gov](mailto:vivian.reese@ed.gov). Requests may also be electronically mailed to the Internet address [OCIO\\_RIMG@ed.gov](mailto:OCIO_RIMG@ed.gov) or faxed to 202-708-9346. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be directed to Sheila Carey at (202) 708-6287 or via her Internet address [Sheila.Carey@ed.gov](mailto:Sheila.Carey@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**

**Submission for OMB Review;  
Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**SUMMARY:** The Leader, Regulatory Information Management Group, 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 April 17, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Lauren Wittenberg, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW, Room 10202, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or should be electronically mailed to the Internet address [Lauren\\_Wittenberg@omb.eop.gov](mailto:Lauren_Wittenberg@omb.eop.gov).

**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, Regulatory 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.

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**Student Financial Assistance**

*Type of Review:* New.

*Title:* Experimental Sites Initiative—  
Data Collection Instrument.

*Frequency:* Annually.

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

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour  
Burden:*

Responses: 150.

Burden Hours: 1,650.

*Abstract:* This data collection instrument will be used to collect specific information/performance data for analysis of nine experiments. This effort will assist the U.S. Department of Education/Student Financial Assistance (ED/SFA) in obtaining and compiling information to help determine change in the administration and delivery of Title IV programs. The experiments cover major financial aid processes.

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Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be directed to Joseph Schubart at (202) 708-9266 or via his Internet address [Joe.Schubart@ed.gov](mailto:Joe.Schubart@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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Dated: March 13, 2002.

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#### **Student Financial Assistance**

*Type of Review:* Revision.

*Title:* Federal Family Education Loan (FFEL), Direct Loan, and Perkins Loan Discharge Applications.

*Frequency:* One time.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or household.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

Responses: 70,200.

Burden Hours: 35,100.

*Abstract:* These forms will serve as the means of collecting the information necessary to determine whether a FFEL or Direct Loan borrower qualifies for a loan discharge based on total and permanent disability, school closure, false certification of student eligibility, or unauthorized signature. The school closure discharge application may also be used by Perkins Loan borrowers applying for a closed school discharge.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

### **Implementation of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as Amended**

**AGENCY:** Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meetings and request for written comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Assistant Secretary announces a series of public meetings and invites written comments on the programs administered by the Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS) under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (the Act). During the public meetings and through the submission of written comments, we encourage individuals to comment on how well the objectives of the Act are being accomplished and on any barriers to the effective implementation of the Act. The purpose of these meetings and solicitation of written comments is to provide feedback to OSERS about the

implementation of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

#### **Public Meetings**

**DATES, TIMES, AND ADDRESSES:** We will hold public meetings according to the following schedule:

1. Date: March 19, 2002, Time: 1 p.m. to 6 p.m., Location: Metropolitan Hotel, Lexington Avenue and 51st Street, New York City, NY.

2. Date: March 21, 2002, Time: 12:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Location: Atlanta Marriott Marquis, 265 Peachtree Center Avenue, Atlanta, GA.

3. Date: March 25, 2002, Time: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Location: Holiday Inn O'Hare, 5440 North River Road, Rosemont, IL.

4. Date: April 18, 2002, Time: 12:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., Location: Elihu Harris State Office Building, 1st Floor Auditorium, 1515 Clay Street, Oakland, CA.

5. Date: May 9, 2002, Time: 12:30 p.m. to 6 p.m., Location: Bachman Therapeutic Recreation Center, 2750 Bachman Drive, Dallas, Texas.

6. Date: June 19, 2002, Time: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Location: U.S. Department of Education, Barnard Auditorium, 400 Maryland Ave, SW., Washington, DC.

*Participants:* Those who wish to present comments on the implementation of the Act at one of the public meetings must reserve time on the agenda for that meeting by contacting the individuals identified under **RESERVATIONS AND ADDITIONAL MEETING INFORMATION**. Reservations for presenting comments will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Given the expected number of individuals interested in providing comments at the meetings, reservations for presenting comments should be made as soon as possible.

Participants will be allowed approximately 5 to 7 minutes to present their comments, depending upon the number of individuals who reserve time on the agenda. At the meeting, participants also are encouraged to submit two written copies of their comments. **RESERVATIONS AND ADDITIONAL MEETING INFORMATION:** All individuals attending the public meetings, including those presenting comments, must make reservations by contacting the following individuals:

*New York:* Richard Anderson, U.S. Department of Education, Rehabilitation Services Administration, Region II, c/o NYC Board of Education, 65 Court Street, 12th Floor, Brooklyn, NY 11201; (voice) (718) 935-5650; (fax) (718) 935-5584; (Federal Information Relay