

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0120]

Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3521), this notice announces that the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs, has submitted the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden and includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before June 27, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY OF THE SUBMISSION CONTACT: Denise McLamb, Records Management Service (005E3), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420, (202) 273-8030, FAX (202) 273-5981 or e-mail: denise.mclamb@mail.va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0120."

Send comments and recommendations concerning any aspect of the information collection to VA's OMB Desk Officer, OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 (202) 395-7316. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0120" in any correspondence.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Report of Treatment by Attending Physician, VA Form 29-551a.
OMB Control Number: 2900-0120.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: VA Form 29-551a is used to collect information from attending physician to determine the claimant's eligibility for disability insurance benefits.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on January 5, 2005, at page 940-941.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 5,069 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 15 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 20,277.

Dated: May 20, 2005.

By direction of the Secretary.

Denise McLamb,

Program Analyst, Records Management Service.

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[OMB Control No. 2900-0047]

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AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Financial Statement, VA Form 26-6807.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0047.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: The data collected on VA Form 26-6807 is used to determine

release of liability and substitution of entitlement cases. VA may release original veteran obligors from personal liability arising from the original guaranty of their home loans, or the making of a direct loan, provided the purchasers/assumers meet the creditworthiness requirements. It is also used to determine a borrower's financial condition in connection with efforts to reinstate a seriously defaulted guaranteed, insured, or portfolio loan, and to determine homeowners' eligibility for aid under the Homeowners Assistance Program, which provides assistance by reducing losses incident to the disposal of homes when military installations at which the homeowners were employed or serving are ordered closed.

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Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 7,500 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 45 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On Occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 10,000.

Dated: May 20, 2005.

By direction of the Secretary.

Cindy Stewart,

Program Analyst, Records Management Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**Cost-of-Living Adjustments and Headstone or Marker Allowance Rate**

AGENCY: Department of Veterans Affairs.
ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: As required by law, the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is hereby giving notice of cost-of-living adjustments (COLAs) in certain benefit rates and income limitations. These COLAs affect the pension, parents' dependency and indemnity compensation (DIC), spina bifida, and birth defects programs. These adjustments are based on the rise in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) during the one year period ending September 30, 2004. VA is also giving notice of the