

public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on information needed to change or correct an insured claimant's name.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before March 20, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information to Nancy J. Kessinger, Veterans Benefits Administration (20M35), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420 or e-mail: irmnkess@vba.va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-New" in any correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nancy J. Kessinger at (202) 273-7079 or FAX (202) 275-5947.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13; 44 U.S.C. 3501-3521), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, VBA invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of VBA's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of VBA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

Title: Certification of Change or Correction of Name, VA Form 29-586.

OMB Control Number: 2900-New.

Type of Review: Existing collection in use without an OMB Control Number.

Abstract: Claimants complete VA Form 29-586 to certify a change or correction to their name on Government Life Insurance policies.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 20 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per

Respondent: 10 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents:

120.

Dated: January 9, 2006.

By direction of the Secretary.

Denise McLamb,

Program Analyst, Records Management Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0386]

Proposed Information Collection Activity: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of a currently approved collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments for information needed to determine whether lenders computed the loan amount on interest rate reduction refinancing loans properly.

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Title: Interest Rate Reduction Refinancing Loan Worksheet, VA Form 26-8923.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0386.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: Title 38 U.S.C., section 3729(a) requires VA to collect a funding fee in connection with guaranteed or direct loans. The fee is payable for both home and manufactured home loans. To be eligible for the guaranty, lenders must submit VA Form 26-8923, and VA Form 26-1820, Report and Certification of Loan Disbursement when requesting a guaranty on an interest rate reduction refinancing loan and provide a receipt as proof that the funding fee was paid or evidence that the claimant is exempt from such fee. VA uses the data collected to ensure lenders correctly compute the funding fee and the maximum permissible loan amount for interest rate reduction refinancing loans.

Affected Public: Business or other for profit.

Estimated Annual Burden: 6,667 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 10 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 40,000.

Dated: January 10, 2006.

By direction of the Secretary.

Denise McLamb,

Records Management Service.

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