

by Section 601(c) of Title VI of Public Law 108–183. The Board provides review and oversight of the Radiation Dose Reconstruction Program, and makes such recommendations on modifications in the mission or procedures of the Radiation Dose Reconstruction Program as it considers appropriate as a result of the audits conducted under the authority of Section 601(c)(3)(A) of Title VI of Public Law 108–183.

Specifically, the Board shall—

1. Conduct periodic, random audits of dose reconstructions under the Radiation Dose Reconstruction Program and of decisions by the Department of Veterans Affairs on claims for service connection of radiogenic diseases;

2. Assist the Department of Veterans Affairs and the Defense Threat Reduction Agency in communicating to veterans information on the mission, procedures, and evidentiary requirements of the Radiation Dose Reconstruction Program;

3. Carry out such other activities with respect to the review and oversight of the Radiation Dose Reconstruction Program as the Secretary of Defense and Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall jointly specify; and

4. Make recommendations on modifications to the mission and procedures of the Dose Reconstruction Program as the Board considers appropriate as a result of the audits.

The Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology & Logistics) or designee, as well as, the Department of Veterans Affairs may act upon the Board's advice and recommendations.

The Board Membership shall be composed of—

1. At least one expert in historical dose reconstruction of the type conducted under the Radiation Dose Reconstruction Program;

2. At least one expert in radiation health matters;

3. At least one expert in risk communications matters;

4. A representative of the Defense Threat Reduction Agency and a representative of the Department of Veterans Affairs; and

5. At least three veterans, including at least one veteran who is a member of an atomic veterans group.

Board Members appointed by the Secretary of Defense, who are not full-time federal officers or employees, shall be appointed as experts and consultants under the authority of 5 U.S.C. 3109. These individuals, serving as Special Government Employees, shall be appointed on an annual basis by the Secretary of Defense, and shall with the exception of travel and per diem for

official travel, shall serve without compensation, unless otherwise authorized by the appointing authority.

The Chairperson of the Board shall be selected by the sponsors, the Department of Veterans Affairs and the Defense Threat Reduction Agency.

The Board shall be authorized to establish subcommittees, as necessary and consistent with its mission, and these subcommittees or working groups shall operate under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976, and other appropriate federal regulations.

Such subcommittees or workgroups shall not work independently of the chartered Veterans' Advisory Board on Dose Reconstruction, and shall report all their recommendations and advice to the Board for full deliberation and discussion. Subcommittees or workgroups have no authority to make decisions on behalf of the chartered Board nor can they report directly to the Department of Defense or any federal officers or employees who are not Board members.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Contact Jim Freeman, Deputy Committee Management Officer for the Department of Defense, 703–601–6128.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Board shall meet at the call of the Board's Designated Federal Officer, in consultation with the Board's chairperson. The Designated Federal Officer, pursuant to DoD policy, shall be a full-time or permanent part-time DoD employee, and shall be appointed in accordance with established DoD policies and procedures. The Designated Federal Officer or duly appointed Alternate Designated Federal Officer shall attend all committee meetings and subcommittee meetings.

Pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.105(j) and 102–3.140, the public or interested organizations may submit written statements to the Veterans' Advisory Board on Dose Reconstruction membership about the Board's mission and functions. Written statements may be submitted at any time or in response to the stated agenda of planned meeting of the Veterans' Advisory Board on Dose Reconstruction.

All written statements shall be submitted to the Designated Federal Officer for the Veterans' Advisory Board on Dose Reconstruction, and this individual will ensure that the written statements are provided to the membership for their consideration. Contact information for the Veterans' Advisory Board on Dose Reconstruction's Designated Federal

Officer can be obtained from the GSA's FACA Database—<https://www.fido.gov/facadatabase/public.asp>.

The Designated Federal Officer, pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.150, will announce planned meetings of the Veterans' Advisory Board on Dose Reconstruction. The Designated Federal Officer, at that time, may provide additional guidance on the submission of written statements that are in response to the stated agenda for the planned meeting in question.

Dated: November 19, 2008.

Patricia L. Toppings,

*OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer,
Department of Defense.*

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

[Docket ID: USN–2008–0059]

Notice of Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Navy Recruiting Command announces a proposed extension of an approved public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by January 26, 2009.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

- *Mail:* Federal Docket Management System Office, 1160 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301–1160.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name, docket

number and title for this **Federal Register** document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request additional information or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, write to Commander, Navy Recruiting Command (N35B), 5722 Integrity Drive, Millington, TN 38054-5057, or call at (901) 874-9048.

Title, Form Number, and OMB Number: Enlistee Financial Statement: NAVCRUIT Form 1130/13; OMB Control Number 0703-0020.

Needs and Uses: All persons interested in entering the U.S. Navy or U.S. Navy Reserve, who have someone either fully or partially dependent on them for financial support, must provide information on their current financial situation which will determine if the individual will be able to meet their financial obligations on Navy pay. The information is provided on NAVCRUIT Form 1130/13 by the prospective enlistee during an interview with a Navy recruiter.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Annual Burden Hours: 47,630.

Number of Respondents: 86,600.

Responses Per Respondent: 1.

Average Burden Per Response: 33 minutes.

Frequency: On occasion.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Summary of Information Collection

The information provided on the NAVCRUIT Form 1130/13 is used by the Navy recruiter and by recruiting management personnel in assessing the Navy applicant's ability to meet financial obligations, thereby preventing the enlistment of, and subsequent management difficulties with people who cannot reasonably expect to meet their financial obligations on Navy day.

Dated: November 18, 2008.

Patricia L. Toppings,

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

AGENCY: Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice of proposed information collection requests.

SUMMARY: The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: An emergency review has been requested in accordance with the Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 3507(j)), since public harm is reasonably likely to result if normal clearance procedures are followed. Approval by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has been requested by December 22, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Written comments regarding the emergency review should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Bridget C. Dooling, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10222, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or faxed to (202) 395-6974.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Director of OMB provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. The Office of Management and Budget (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 IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, publishes this notice containing proposed information collection requests at the beginning of the Departmental review of the information collection. 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. ED 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 respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: November 21, 2008.

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IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management.

Office of Elementary and Secondary Education

Type of Review: New.

Title: Emergency Clearance of Homeless Education Disaster Assistance Application.

Abstract: The Consolidated Security, Disaster Assistance, and Continuing Appropriations Act, 2009 provides 15 million dollars to ED to award to local educational agencies (LEAs) that had an increase in children and youth made homeless by Federally-declared major natural disasters in calendar year 2008 to partially compensate them for serving the educational and related needs of all homeless students in their district consistent with section 723(d) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (McKinney-Vento Act). The information is collected in the form of a single electronic application submitted by LEAs. ED plans to award grants to applicants (LEAs and consortia of LEAs) based on verifiable counts of increases in homeless student enrollment in kindergarten through grade twelve directly tied to natural disasters in calendar year 2008.

Additional Information: The Homeless Education Disaster Assistance program (HEDA) was established in the "Consolidated Security, Disaster Assistance, and Continuing Appropriations Act, 2009," which the President signed into law on September 30, 2008 (Pub. L. 110-329) and which stipulates that ED should award HEDA funds to LEAs within 120 days. The Department is requesting emergency processing with a requested approval date of December 22, 2008. Using the regular clearance process would put ED well past the 120-day mark for awarding the HEDA funds that is specified in the Act, which would clearly go against Congress's intent. In sum, not approving this emergency request would cause