

other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13(44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning the credit for increasing research activity.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before June 11, 2013 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to R. Joseph Durbala, Internal Revenue Service, room 6129, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the regulations should be directed to Katherine Dean at Internal Revenue Service, room 6242, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224, or at (202)622–3186, or through the Internet at [Katherine.b.dean@irs.gov](mailto:Katherine.b.dean@irs.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Credit for Increasing Research Activity.

*OMB Number:* 1545–0732.

*Regulation Project Number:* LR–236–81. T.D. 8251.

*Abstract:* This regulation provides rules for the credit for increasing research activities. Internal Revenue Code section 41(f) provides that commonly controlled groups of taxpayers shall compute the credit as if they are single taxpayer. The credit allowed to a member of the group is a portion of the group's credit. Section 1.41–8(d) of the regulation permits a corporation that is a member of more than one group to designate which controlled group they will be aggregated with the purposes of Code section 41(f).

*Current Actions:* There is no change to this existing regulation.

*Type of Review:* Extension of currently approved collection.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit organizations.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 250.

*Estimated Time per Respondent:* 15 hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden*

*Hours:* 63.

The following paragraph applies to all of the collections of information covered by this notice:

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a collection of information must be retained as long as their contents may become material

in the administration of any internal revenue law. Generally, tax returns and tax return information are confidential, as required by 26 U.S.C. 6103.

*Request for Comments:* Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the 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 collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Approved: March 11, 2013.

**R. Joseph Durbala,**

*OMB Reports Clearance Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Internal Revenue Service

#### Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Regulation Project

**AGENCY:** Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning estate and gift Taxes; qualified disclaimers of property (Section 25.2518–2(b)).

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before June 11, 2013 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Yvette Lawrence, Internal Revenue Service, Room 6129, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Requests for additional information or copies of the regulations should be directed to Katherine Dean, at Internal Revenue Service, Room 6242, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224, or at (202) 622–3186, or through the Internet at [Katherine.b.dean@irs.gov](mailto:Katherine.b.dean@irs.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Estate and Gift Taxes; Qualified Disclaimers of Property.

*OMB Number:* 1545–0959.

*Regulation Project Number:* TD 8095.

*Abstract:* Internal Revenue Code section 2518 allows a person to disclaim an interest in property received by gift or inheritance. The interest is treated as if the disclaimant never received or transferred such interest for Federal gift tax purposes. A qualified disclaimer must be in writing and delivered to the transferor or trustee.

*Current Actions:* There is no change to this existing regulation.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 2,000.

*Estimated Time per Respondent:* 30 minutes.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 1,000.

The following paragraph applies to all of the collections of information covered by this notice:

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a collection of information must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any internal revenue law. Generally, tax returns and tax return information are confidential, as required by 26 U.S.C. 6103.

*Request for Comments:* Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the 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 collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including

through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Approved: March 13, 2013.

**Yvette Lawrence,**

*OMB Reports Clearance Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Internal Revenue Service

#### Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Revenue Procedure 2001-24

**AGENCY:** Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning Revenue Procedure 2001-24, Advanced Insurance Commissions.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before June 11, 2013 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Yvette Lawrence at Internal Revenue Service, room 6129, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the revenue procedure should be directed to Katherine Dean at Internal Revenue Service, room 6242, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224, or at (202) 622-3186, or through the Internet at [Katherine.b.dean@irs.gov](mailto:Katherine.b.dean@irs.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Advanced Insurance Commissions.

*OMB Number:* 1545-1736.

*Revenue Procedure Number:* Revenue Procedure 2001-24.

*Abstract:* A taxpayer that wants to obtain automatic consent to change its method of accounting for cash advances on commissions paid to its agents must agree to the specified terms and conditions under the revenue

procedure. This agreement is ratified by attaching the required statement to the federal income tax return for the year of change.

*Current Actions:* There are no changes being made to the revenue procedure at this time.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit organizations.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 5,270.

*Estimated Time per Respondent:* 15 minutes.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 1,318.

The following paragraph applies to all of the collections of information covered by this notice:

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a collection of information must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any internal revenue law. Generally, tax returns and tax return information are confidential, as required by 26 U.S.C. 6103.

*Request for Comments:* Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the 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 collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Approved: March 15, 2013.

**Yvette Lawrence,**

*OMB Reports Clearance Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Bureau of the Public Debt

#### Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently the Bureau of the Public Debt within the Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning the Special Bond of Indemnity to the United States of America.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before June 13, 2013 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Bureau of the Public Debt, Bruce A. Sharp, 200 Third Street A4-A, Parkersburg, WV 26106-1328, or [bruce.sharp@bpd.treas.gov](mailto:bruce.sharp@bpd.treas.gov). The opportunity to make comments online is also available at [www.pracomment.gov](http://www.pracomment.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies should be directed to Bruce A. Sharp, Bureau of the Public Debt, 200 Third Street A4-A, Parkersburg, WV 26106-1328, (304) 480-8150.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Special Bond of Indemnity to the United States of America.

*OMB Number:* 1535-0062.

*Form Number:* PD F 2966.

*Abstract:* The information is requested to support a request for refund of the purchase price of savings bonds purchased in a chain letter scheme.

*Current Actions:* None.

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or Households.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 2,400.

*Estimated Time per Respondent:* 8 minutes.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 320.

*Request for Comments:* Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: