

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This ICR seeks to extend PRA authority for the Hazardous Energy Control Standard (Lockout/Tagout) information collection requirements codified in regulations 29 CFR 1910.147. The Standard specifies several information collection requirements, including those related to documenting energy-control procedure; providing protective materials; and developing, maintaining, and disclosing periodic inspection, training, and communication records. Occupational Safety and Health Act sections 6(b)(7) and 8(c) authorize this information collection. See 29 U.S.C. 655(b)(7) and 657(c).

This information collection is subject to the PRA. A Federal agency generally cannot conduct or sponsor a collection of information, and the public is generally not required to respond to an information collection, unless it is approved by the OMB under the PRA and displays a currently valid OMB Control Number. In addition, notwithstanding any other provisions of law, no person shall generally be subject to penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information that does not display a valid Control Number. See 5 CFR 1320.5(a) and 1320.6. The DOL obtains OMB approval for this information collection under Control Number 1218-0150.

OMB authorization for an ICR cannot be for more than three (3) years without renewal, and the current approval for this collection is scheduled to expire on August 31, 2014. The DOL seeks to extend PRA authorization for this information collection for three (3) more years, without any change to existing requirements. The DOL notes that existing information collection requirements submitted to the OMB receive a month-to-month extension while they undergo review. For additional substantive information about this ICR, see the related notice published in the **Federal Register** on April 2, 2014 (79 FR 18583).

Interested parties are encouraged to send comments to the OMB, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs at the address shown in the **ADDRESSES** section within thirty (30) days of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. In order to help ensure appropriate consideration, comments should mention OMB Control Number 1218-0150. The OMB is particularly interested in comments that:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

*Agency:* DOL-OSHA.

*Title of Collection:* Hazardous Energy Control Standard (Lockout/Tagout).

*OMB Control Number:* 1218-0150.

*Affected Public:* Private Sector—businesses or other for-profits.

*Total Estimated Number of Respondents:* 730,706.

*Total Estimated Number of Responses:* 72,337,270.

*Total Estimated Annual Time Burden:* 2,646,702 hours.

*Total Estimated Annual Other Costs Burden:* \$1,426,421.

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**Michel Smyth,**

*Departmental Clearance Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Office of the Secretary

#### Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Equal Access to Justice Act

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) is soliciting comments concerning the proposed extension of the information collection request (ICR) for applicants to obtain awards in administrative proceedings subject to the Equal Access to Justice Act.

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted by October 17, 2014.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments may be submitted by mail to the U.S. Department of Labor/Office of the Solicitor Attn: Raymond E. Mitten, Jr., 200 Constitution Avenue NW., Room N-2420, Washington, DC 20210.

Comments also may be sent by email to [DOL\\_PRA\\_Public@dol.gov](mailto:DOL_PRA_Public@dol.gov). Written comments limited to 10 pages or fewer may be transmitted by facsimile to (202)

693-5538 (this is not a toll-free number).

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Contact Raymond E. Mitten, Jr., Counsel for FOIA Appeals, Paperwork Reduction Act, & Federal Records Act, Division of Management and Administrative Legal Services, Office of the Solicitor, 200 Constitution Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20210, telephone (202) 693-5523 (this is not a toll-free number). Copies of the referenced ICR are available in Room N-1301, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20210. A copy of the ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained free of charge by calling the Michel Smyth at (202) 693-4129 (this is not a toll-free number) or sending an email to [DOL\\_PRA\\_Public@dol.gov](mailto:DOL_PRA_Public@dol.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*I. Background:* The Equal Access to Justice Act provides for the award of fees and expenses to certain parties involved in administrative proceedings with the United States. The statute requires, at 5 U.S.C. sec. 504(a)(2), that a party seeking an award of fees and other expenses in a covered administrative proceeding must submit to the agency an application which shows that the party is the prevailing party and is eligible to receive an award under the Act. DOL regulations implementing the Equal Access to Justice Act contain a subpart specifying the contents of applications for an award, 29 CFR part 16, subpart B. The DOL is currently proposing no changes to the information collection requirements.

*II. Desired Focus of Comments:* The DOL, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a pre-clearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3505(c)(2)(A)). The program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of the collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. The DOL is particularly interested in comments which:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including

whether the information will have practical utility;

- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will become a matter of public record. They will also be summarized and included in the request for Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval of the final information collection request that will be accessible through the Internet. The DOL encourages commenters not to include sensitive personal information (e.g., a social security number), confidential business data (e.g., a bank account number or trade secret), or other sensitive statements/information in any comments.

**III. Current Action:** This notice requests an extension of the current OMB approval of the paperwork requirements for the contents of applications for an award under the Equal Access to Justice Act.

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

**Agency:** DOL-DM.

**Title:** Equal Access to Justice Act.

**OMB Control Number:** 1225-0013.

**Affected Public:** Individuals or Households; Private Sector—businesses or other for-profits, farms, and not-for-profit institutions; and State, Local, and Tribal Governments.

**Number of Respondents:** 10.

**Frequency:** On occasion.

**Total responses:** 10.

**Average time per response:** 5 hours.

**Estimated total burden hours:** 50 hours.

**Total annualized capital/startup costs:** \$0.

**Total annualized costs (operation and maintenance):** \$0.

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**Michel Smyth,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Employment and Training Administration

#### Information for Stakeholder Engagement for the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Implementation

**AGENCY:** Employment and Training Administration, Labor.

**ACTION:** Announcement of meetings.

**SUMMARY:** The Employment and Training Administration (ETA) of the U.S. Department of Labor (Department or DOL) issues this notice to announce a series of Webinars to engage the public in implementation of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (the Workforce Act or the Act). Additionally, the Department has established a Resource Page that contains resource information on the Workforce Act, including implementation timelines and questions and answers.

**DATES:** The Webinar dates and topics are as follows. All webinars will begin at 2:00 p.m. eastern time and last for 1 hour.

- Thursday, August 21—Strengthening the One Stop System.
- Friday, August 22—Job-Driven Training for Adults and Dislocated Workers.
- Monday, August 25—Integrated Performance Reporting and the ETPL.
- Tuesday, August 26—Consultation with Consumers, Advocacy Groups, and Direct Service Providers on Services for Individuals with Disabilities.
- Thursday, August 28—The Migrant and Seasonal Farmworker Program.
- Tuesday, September 2—Services to Individuals with Disabilities.
- Friday, September 5—Services to Disconnected Youth.
- Thursday, September 11—Strategic Program Alignment and Unified Planning.
- Friday, September 12—WIOA and Registered Apprenticeship.
- Monday, September 15—The Indian and Native American Program.

**ADDRESSES:** To register to participate in one or more webinars, please visit <http://www.doleta.gov/WIOA>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dorjan Chaney, ETA, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue NW., Room, Washington, DC 20210; Telephone (202) 693-3656; email: [DOL.WIOA@dol.gov](mailto:DOL.WIOA@dol.gov). Individuals with hearing or speech impairments may access the telephone number above via TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Information Relay Service at 1-(877)889-5627 (TTY/TDD).

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

### Background:

President Barack Obama signed the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act into law on July 22, 2014. The Act is designed to help job seekers access employment, education, training, and support services to succeed in the labor market and to match employers with the skilled workers they need to compete in the global economy. Congress passed the Act by a wide bipartisan majority; it is the first legislative reform in 15 years of the public workforce system.

Every year the key programs that form the pillars of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act help tens of millions of job seekers and workers to connect to good jobs and acquire the skills and credentials needed to obtain them. The enactment of this law provides opportunity for reforms to ensure the American Job Center system is job-driven—responding to the needs of employers and preparing workers for jobs that are available now and in the future.

The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act supersedes the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 and amends the Adult Education and Family Literacy Act, the Wagner-Peyser Act, and the Rehabilitation Act Amendments of 1998. In general, the Act takes effect on July 1, 2015, the first full program year after enactment, unless otherwise noted.

More information about the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, key implementation timelines, and frequently asked questions can be found at <http://www.doleta.gov/WIOA>.

Input from state and local workforce leaders and practitioners, workforce system partners, customers, and other stakeholders, is critical to successful implementation of this new law. These Webinars provide an opportunity for the Department to hear your input on the following key implementation topics:

- Thursday, August 21—Strengthening the One Stop System.
- Friday, August 22—Job-Driven Training for Adults and Dislocated Workers.
- Monday, August 25—Integrated Performance Reporting and the ETPL.
- Tuesday, August 26—Consultation with Consumers, Advocacy Groups, and Direct. Service Providers on Services for Individuals with Disabilities.
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