

**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 on information needed from accredited and nonaccredited educational institutions.

**DATES:** Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before December 5, 2016.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments on the collection of information through Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at [www.Regulations.gov](http://www.Regulations.gov) or to Nancy J. Kessinger, Veterans Benefits Administration (20M33), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420 or email to [nancy.kessinger@va.gov](mailto:nancy.kessinger@va.gov). Please refer to “OMB Control No. 2900–0568” in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through the FDMS.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Nancy J. Kessinger at (202) 632–8924 or FAX (202) 632–8925.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the PRA of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13; 44 U.S.C. 3501–21), 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:* Submission of School Catalog to the State Approving Agency.

*OMB Control Number:* 2900–0568.

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

*Abstract:* Accredited and nonaccredited educational institutions, with the exception of elementary and secondary schools, must submit copies of their catalog to the State approving agency when applying for approval of a new course. State approving agencies use the catalog to determine what courses can be approved for VA training. VA pays educational assistance to veterans, persons on active duty or reservists, and eligible persons pursuing an approved program of education. Educational assistance is not payable when claimants pursue unapproved courses.

*Affected Public:* Not-for-profit institutions.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 2,487 hours.

*Estimated Average Burden per Respondent:* 15 minutes.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 9,948.

By direction of the Secretary.

**Cynthia Harvey-Pryor,**

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**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

[OMB Control No. 2900–0698]

**Agency Information Collection (Application for Educational Assistance to Supplement Tuition Assistance) 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, will submit 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; it includes the actual data collection instrument.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before November 7, 2016.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments on the collection of information through

[www.Regulations.gov](http://www.Regulations.gov), or to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attn: VA Desk Officer; 725 17th St. NW., Washington, DC 20503 or sent through electronic mail to [oira\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:oira_submission@omb.eop.gov). Please refer to “OMB Control No. 2900–0698” in any correspondence.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Cynthia Harvey-Pryor, Enterprise Records Service (005R1B), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420, (202) 461–5870 or email [cynthia.harvey-pryor@va.gov](mailto:cynthia.harvey-pryor@va.gov). Please refer to “OMB Control No. 2900–0698.”

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Application for Educational Assistance To Supplement Tuition Assistance, 38 CFR 21.1030(c), 21.7140(c)(5).

*OMB Control Number:* 2900–0698.

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

*Abstract:* Claimants who wish to receive educational assistance administered by VA to supplement tuition assistance administered by the Department of Defense must apply through VA. VA will use the data collected to determine the claimant’s eligibility to receive educational assistance to supplement the tuition assistance he or she received and the amount payable.

The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published at 81 FR 17341 on July 22, 2016.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or Households.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 1,600 hours.

*Estimated Average Burden per Respondent:* 12 minutes.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 8,000.

By direction of the Secretary.

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