

*Total Estimated Annual Hour Burden:* 11,660.

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## SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

**[Disaster Declaration #15944 and #15945; Mississippi Disaster Number MS-00111]**

### Presidential Declaration Amendment of a Major Disaster for Public Assistance Only for the State of Mississippi

**AGENCY:** U.S. Small Business Administration.

**ACTION:** Amendment 5.

**SUMMARY:** This is an amendment of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for Public Assistance Only for the State of Mississippi (FEMA-4429-DR), dated 04/23/2019.

*Incident:* Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding.

*Incident Period:* 02/22/2019 through 08/23/2019.

**DATES:** Issued on 10/16/2019.

*Physical Loan Application Deadline Date:* 06/24/2019.

*Economic Injury (EIDL) Loan Application Deadline Date:* 01/23/2020.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit completed loan applications to: U.S. Small Business Administration, Processing and Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** A. Escobar, Office of Disaster Assistance, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street SW, Suite 6050, Washington, DC 20416, (202) 205-6734.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The notice of the President's major disaster declaration for Private Non-Profit organizations in the State of Mississippi, dated 04/23/2019, is hereby amended to re-establish the incident period for this disaster as beginning 02/22/2019 and continuing through 08/23/2019.

All other information in the original declaration remains unchanged.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number 59008)

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

**[Public Notice: 10932]**

### 60-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Public Charge Questionnaire

**ACTION:** Notice of request for public comment.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of State ("Department") is seeking Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for the information collection described below. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we are requesting comments on this collection from all interested individuals and organizations. The purpose of this notice is to allow 60 days for public comment preceding submission of the collection to OMB.

**DATES:** The Department will accept comments from the public up to December 23, 2019.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- *Web:* Persons with access to the internet may comment on this notice by going to [www.Regulations.gov](http://www.Regulations.gov). You can search for the document by entering "Docket Number: DOS-2019-0037" in the Search field. Then click the "Comment Now" button and complete the comment form.

- *Email:* [PRA\\_BurdenComments@state.gov](mailto:PRA_BurdenComments@state.gov).

You must include the DS form number (if applicable), information collection title, and the OMB control number in any correspondence.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Direct requests for additional information regarding the collection listed in this notice, including requests for copies of the proposed collection instrument and supporting documents to Megan Herndon, who may be reached over telephone at (202) 485-7586 or email at [PRA\\_BurdenComments@state.gov](mailto:PRA_BurdenComments@state.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

- *Title of Information Collection:* Public Charge Questionnaire.
- *OMB Control Number:* New Collection.
- *Type of Request:* New Collection.
- *Originating Office:* Bureau of Consular Affairs, Visa Office (CA/VO).
- *Form Number:* DS-5540.
- *Respondents:* Immigrant visa applicants, including diversity visa applicants, and certain nonimmigrant visa applicants.
- *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 450,500.
- *Estimated Number of Responses:* 450,500.

- *Average Time per Response:* 60 minutes (10 minutes for applicants completing only questions 4 and 4A, estimated to be 500 of the 450,500 total applicants).

- *Total Estimated Burden Time:* 450,084 hours.

- *Frequency:* Once per respondent's application.

- *Obligation to respond:* Required to Obtain or Retain a Benefit.

We are soliciting public comments that assist the Department in:

- Evaluating whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper functions of the Department;
- Evaluating the accuracy of our estimate of the time and cost burden of this proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

- Enhancing the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and,

- Minimizing the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Please note that comments submitted in response to this Notice are public record. Before including any detailed personal information, you should be aware that your comments as submitted, including your personal information, will be available for public review.

#### Abstract of Proposed Collection

The Department seeks to better ensure that aliens subject to the public charge inadmissibility ground are self-sufficient and will not rely on public resources to meet their needs, but rather, will rely on their own capabilities, as well as the resources of sponsors. Through the DS-5540, the Department will collect information in a standardized format regarding applicants' ability to financially support themselves following entry into the United States, without depending on government assistance. Fields primarily pertain to the applicant's health, family status, assets, resources, financial status, education, skills, health insurance coverage, and tax history. The DS-5540 would also require applicants to provide information on whether they have received certain specified public benefits from a U.S. Federal, state, local or tribal government entity on or after October 15, 2019. Consular officers will use the completed forms in assessing whether an applicant is likely to become a public charge, and is thus ineligible for a visa under section 212(a)(4)(A) of the Immigration and Nationality Act ("INA"). This collection is consistent with the burden of proof on applicants