

on human trafficking in the transportation industry. Questions to consider include: How will the project's impact be measured? How will the project contribute to counter-trafficking efforts in the transportation sector? If not a national project, can the project be scaled nationally?

#### 8. Partners

If applicable, list the partners who will be engaged in project development and/or implementation, including a brief background for each.

#### 9. Letters of Support

You may submit supporting letters, which may be from subject matter experts or industry, and may address the technical merit of the concept, originality, impact, practicality, measurability and/or applicability.

#### 10. Supporting Documents (no page limit)

The paper(s) and/or technologies, programs, video/audio files, and other related materials, describing the project and addressing the selection criteria. As applicable, this can include a description of success of a previous or similar project and/or documentation of impact. DOT may request additional information, including supporting documentation, more detailed contact information, releases of liability, and statements of authenticity to guarantee the originality of the work. Failure to respond in a timely manner may result in disqualification.

#### Initial Screening

The Office of International Transportation and Trade will initially review applications to determine that all required submission elements are included, and to determine compliance with eligibility requirements.

#### Evaluation

After the Initial Screening, the Office of International Transportation and Trade, with input from the relevant Operating Administrations, will judge entries based on the factors described below: Technical merit, originality, impact, practicality, measurability, and applicability. All factors are important and will be given consideration.

The Secretary will make the final selection.

The Department reserves the right to not award the prize if the selecting officials believe that no submission demonstrates sufficient potential for sufficient transformative impact.

#### Technical Merit

- Presents a clear understanding of the issue of human trafficking in the

transportation industry and utilizes a trauma-informed, victim-centered approach.

- Presents a logical and workable solution and approach to addressing human trafficking in the transportation industry.
- Survivors of human trafficking were consulted in the development of the project concept and survivor input is outlined in the description of project implementation.

#### Originality

- The concept is new or a variation of an existing idea.
- The concept possesses and clearly describes its unique merits.

#### Impact/Measurability

- The project can make a significant impact and/or contribution to the fight against human trafficking in the transportation industry.
- The project clearly describes the breadth of impact.
- The submission clearly outlines how the project will be measured.
- The project will result in measurable improvements.

#### Practicality

- The project clearly identifies anticipated beneficiaries of the project.
- The project clearly outlines anticipated resources and all costs to be incurred by executing the concept.
- The project can be implemented in a way that requires a finite amount of resources (specifically, the submission has fixed costs, low or no marginal costs, and a clear path to implementation and scale beyond an initial investment).

#### Applicability

- The project is national and/or can be scaled nationally.

#### Award

Up to three winning entries are expected to be announced. The first-place winner will receive up to a \$50,000 cash prize. A plaque with the first-place winner(s) name and the date of the award will be on display at the U.S. Department of Transportation, and a display copy of the plaque(s) will be sent to the first-place award winner's headquarters. At the discretion of the Secretary, up to two additional plaques may be awarded to recognize two runners up. At the Department's discretion, DOT may pay for invitational travel expenses to Washington, DC for up to two individuals or representatives of the first-place winning organization and runners up organizations, should selectees be invited to present their project(s) for DOT officials.

(Authority: 15 U.S.C. 3719 (America COMPETES Act).

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Internal Revenue Service

#### Proposed Extension of Information Collection Request Submitted for Public Comment; Comment Request for Form 8844

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

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

**SUMMARY:** The Internal Revenue Service, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the 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. Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning Form 8844, *Empowerment Zone Employment Credit*.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before May 23, 2022 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Andrés Garcia, Internal Revenue Service, Room 6526, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20224, or by email to [omb.unit@irs.gov](mailto:omb.unit@irs.gov). Please include, "OMB Number: 1545-1444—Public Comment Request Notice" in the Subject line.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the form and instructions should be directed to Ronald J. Durbala, at (202) 317-5746, at Internal Revenue Service, Room 6526, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20224, or through the internet at [RJoseph.Durbala@irs.gov](mailto:RJoseph.Durbala@irs.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* Empowerment Zone Employment Credit.

*OMB Number:* 1545-1444.

*Project Number:* Form 8844.

*Abstract:* Employers who hire employees who live and work in one of the eleven designated empowerment zones can receive a tax credit for the first \$15,000 of wages paid to each

employee. Employers use Form 8844 to claim the empowerment zone and renewal community employment credit.

**Current Actions:** There is no change in the paperwork burden previously approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). This form is being submitted for renewal purposes only.

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

**Affected Public:** Business or other for-profit organizations, individuals or households, farms and not-for-profit institutions.

**Estimated Number of Respondents:** 25.

**Estimated Time per Respondent:** 6 hrs., 33 min.

**Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:** 158.

The following paragraph applies to all 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 if 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.

**Desired Focus of Comments:** The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) 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 using appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, *e.g.*, by permitting electronic submissions of responses.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the information collection request (ICR) for OMB approval of the extension of the information collection;

they will also become a matter of public record.

Approved: March 16, 2022.

**Ronald J. Durbala,**

*IRS Tax Analyst.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Internal Revenue Service

#### Proposed Extension of Information Collection Request Submitted for Public Comment; Comment Request for Form 6252

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

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

**SUMMARY:** The Internal Revenue Service, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the 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. Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning Form 6252, *Installment Sale Income*.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before May 23, 2022 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Andrés Garcia, Internal Revenue Service, Room 6526, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20224, or by email to [omb.unit@irs.gov](mailto:omb.unit@irs.gov). Please include, "OMB Number: 1545-0228—Public Comment Request Notice" in the Subject line.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the form and instructions should be directed to Ronald J. Durbala, at (202) 317-5746, at Internal Revenue Service, Room 6526, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20224, or through the internet at [RJoseph.Durbala@irs.gov](mailto:RJoseph.Durbala@irs.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Installment Sale Income.

*OMB Number:* 1545-0228.

*Project Number:* Form 6252.

*Abstract:* Internal Revenue Code section 453 provides that if real or personal property is disposed of at a gain and at least one payment is to be received in a tax year after the year of sale, the income is to be reported in installments, as payment is received. Form 6252 provides for the computation of income to be reported in the year of sale and in years after the year of sale.

It also provides for the computation of installment sales between certain related parties required by Code section 453(e).

**Current Actions:** There is no change in the paperwork burden previously approved by OMB. This form is being submitted for renewal purposes only.

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

**Affected Public:** Business or other for-profit organizations, individuals or households, and farms.

**Estimated Number of Respondents:** 521,898.

**Estimated Time per Respondent:** 3 hrs., 4 min.

**Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:** 1,597,008.

The following paragraph applies to all 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 if 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.

**Desired Focus of Comments:** The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) 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 using appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, *e.g.*, by permitting electronic submissions of responses.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the ICR for OMB approval of the extension of the information collection; they will also become a matter of public record.