

including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) evaluate the accuracy of the agencies/components estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) 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.

The proposed collection is listed below:

(1) *Type of information collection.* Extension of a currently approved collection.

(2) *The title of the form/collection.* Department of Justice Federal Coal Lease Review Information.

(3) *The agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department sponsoring the collection.* Forms: ATR-139, ATR-140. Antitrust Division, United States Department of Justice.

(4) *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract.* Primary: Business or other for-profit. Other: None.

The Department of Justice evaluates the competitive impact of issuances, transfers and exchanges of Federal coal leases. These forms seek information regarding a prospective coal lessee's coal reserves and the reserves subject to the federal lease. The Department uses this information to determine whether the lease transfer is consistent with the Antitrust laws.

(5) *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond.* 20 responses per year at 2 hours per response.

(6) *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection.* 40 annual burden hours.

Public comment on this proposed information collection is strongly encouraged.

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Robert B. Briggs,
Department Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice.

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Immigration and Naturalization Service

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice of Information Collection Under Review; Registration for Classification as Refugee.

The proposed information collection is published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for "sixty days" from the date listed at the top of this page in the Federal Register.

Request written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information. Your comments should address one or more of the following four points:

(1) 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;

(2) evaluate the accuracy of the agencies estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) 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.

If you have additional comments, suggestions, or need a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions, or additional information, please contact Kathleen Thompson, 202-633-3577, Immigration and Naturalization Service, 425 I Street NW, Washington DC, 20536.

Written comments and/or suggestions regarding this collection may also be submitted to the Department of Justice (DOJ), Justice Management Division, Information Management and Security Staff, Attention: Department Clearance Officer, Suite 850, 1001 G Street, NW, Washington DC 20530. Additionally, comments may be submitted to DOJ via facsimile to 202-514-1534.

Overview of this information collection:

(1) *Type of Information Collection:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

(2) *Title of the Form/Collection:* Registration for Classification as Refugee.

(3) *Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department sponsoring the collection:* Form: I-590. Immigration and Naturalization Service. United States Department of Justice.

(4) *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:* Primary: Individual and for-profit. Other: None. This form provides a uniform method for applicants to apply for refugee status and contains the information needed in order to adjudicate such applications.

(5) *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:* 140,000 responses at 35 minutes per response.

(6) *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:* 81,620 annual burden hours.

If additional information is required contact: Mr. Robert B. Briggs, Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice, Information Management and Security Staff, Justice Management Division, Suite 850, Washington Center, 1001 G Street, NW, Washington, DC 20530.

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Office of Justice Programs

Bureau of Justice Statistics; Agency Information Collection Activities, Proposed Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice of Information Collection Under Review; Pretest of a survey on "Police Public Contact."

Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval is being sought for the information collection listed below. This proposed information collection was previously published in the Federal Register and allowed 60 days for public comment.

The purpose of this notice is to allow an additional 30 days for public comments from the date listed at the top of this page in the Federal Register. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 Code of Federal Regulation, Part 1320.10. Written comments and/or suggestions regarding the item(s) contained in this notice, especially regarding the estimated public burden

and associated response time, should be directed to the Office of Management and Budget, Office of Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Department of Justice Desk Officer, Washington, DC 20503. Additionally, comments may be submitted to OMB via facsimile to 202-395-7285. Comments may also be submitted to the Department of Justice (DOJ), Justice Management Division, Information Management and Security Staff, Attention: Department Clearance Officer, Suite 850, 1001 G Street, NW, Washington, DC 20530. Additionally, comments may be submitted to DOJ via facsimile to 202-514-1534.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies should address one or more of the following points:

(1) evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency/component, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) evaluate the accuracy of the agencies/components estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) 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 techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

The proposed collection is listed below:

(1) *Type of information collection.* Revision of a currently approved collection.

(2) *The title of the form/collection.* Pretest of a survey on "Police Public Contact,"

(3) *The agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department sponsoring the collection.* Form: PPCS-1. Office of Justice Statistics, Office of Justice Programs, United States Department of Justice.

(4) *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract.* Primary: Individuals or households. Other: None. This pretest will assist the Bureau of Justice Statistics in determining whether the National Crime Victimization Survey is an appropriate vehicle for implementing the annual data collection/reporting requirement set forth in Section 210402 of the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act. This statute requires

the Attorney General to produce annual statistics on the use of excessive force by police nationwide.

(5) *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond.* 12,000 respondents: of the 12,000 respondents about 11,400 will only answer the lead-in or screening questions which takes one (1) minute per respondent. Additionally, 600 respondents will be asked the detailed questions which takes ten (10) minutes per respondent.

(6) *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection.* 290 annual burden hours.

Public comment on this proposed information collection is strongly encouraged.

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Bureau of Justice Statistics

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Solicitation for Award of Cooperative Agreement To Continue the Bureau of Justice Statistics Criminal Justice Information Policy Program

AGENCY: Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Statistics.

ACTION: Solicitation for Award of Cooperative Agreement.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this notice is to announce a public solicitation for the continuation of the Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS) Criminal Justice Information Policy program. The program, which has been in existence since 1978, serves as the primary liaison between BJS, the States, and other Federal agencies, on issues relating to the quality, content, management, use and exchange of criminal history record information (CHRI). Projects supported under the program include, but are not limited to, major national conferences on criminal justice data quality issues, comprehensive national surveys of State criminal history data quality, numerous workshops on emerging issues such as the uses of Automated Fingerprint Identification Systems (AFIS) and forensic uses of DNA, National Task Forces composed of members representing all components of the Federal and State criminal justice systems, ongoing review of State

legislative developments and preparation of a biannual Compendium of State legislation, and extensive preparation of materials and training in areas such as data quality auditing.

A key element in all of these efforts is the extent to which the program provides for direct input by States, for coordination among the States on program activities, and for liaison between the project and other relevant agencies of the Federal Government such as the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS). The presently proposed project, which is designed to continue these activities, will be funded under a cooperative agreement.

DATES: Proposals must be postmarked on or before April 25, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Proposal should be mailed to: Applications Coordinator, Bureau of Justice Statistics, Room 1144 D, 633 Indiana Avenue, NW 20531.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Carol G. Kaplan, Chief, Criminal History Improvement Programs, Bureau of Justice Statistics, 633 Indiana Avenue NW, Washington, D.C. 20531, (202) 307-0759.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Bureau of Justice Statistics Justice Information Policy Assistance (JIPA) program represents the primary response of BJS to its legislative charter to "Identify, analyze and participate in the implementation of privacy, security and information policies which impact on Federal and State criminal justice operations and related statistical activities." See section 302(c)(22) of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 3732(c)(22). The program is designed to assist States in upgrading the quality of State criminal history record systems and in increasing the utility of criminal history records for both criminal and non-criminal justice purposes. The program also provides for coordination among States and between States and BJS and other Federal agencies on national issues such as the interstate system for the exchange of criminal history record data.

The BJS Program was initiated over eighteen years ago, concurrent with the issuance of Department of Justice Regulations set out at 28 C.F.R. Part 20 which requires that States ensure that criminal history records are accurate, complete, secure, and disseminated only to authorized users. Since its inception, projects undertaken under the program have focussed on the