

4. Discussion of specific concerns and questions of Committee members.
5. Discussion of future traffic trends.
6. Discussion of relevant written statements submitted in advance by members of the public.
7. Scheduling of next meeting.

Public Participation

The meeting is open to the public, but advance notice of attendance is requested to ensure adequate seating. Persons planning to attend should notify the contact person at least two (2) days prior to the meeting. Members of the public may submit written statements any time before or after the meeting to the contact person for consideration by this Advisory Committee. Only written statements received by the contact person at least five (5) days prior to the meeting will be considered for discussion at the meeting.

Contact person: Charles D. Montgomery, Office of the Assistant Commissioner, Inspections, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Room 4064, 425 I Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20536, telephone number (202) 616-7498 or fax number (202) 514-8345.

Dated: April 14, 1997.

Doris Meissner,

Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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State Identification Systems (SIS) Grant Program

AGENCY: Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), Justice, with funding from the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI).

ACTION: Notice of funding availability.

SUMMARY: This notice is to announce the availability of \$9.5 million pursuant to the State Identification Systems Grant Program (SIS), as newly authorized under the Antiterrorism and Effective Death Penalty Act.

DATES: Application kits will be sent out on or about May 15, 1997, to agencies designated by the Governor or Chief Executive Officer of each State. To make it easier for States to complete applications, the application form will be simplified to the maximum extent possible and narrative requirements will

be minimal. Applications must be postmarked no later than July 1, 1997.

ADDRESSES: All required forms and documentation must be completed and submitted by the application deadline to the Bureau of Justice Assistance, c/o State and Local Assistance Division, 633 Indiana Avenue, Washington, D.C. 20531, or call 202-514-6638.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The Department of Justice Response Center or Maggie H. Shelko, State and Local Assistance Division, BJA, on 1-800-421-6770. Assistance will be provided for questions concerning the application process only, not the substance of the application.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following supplementary information is provided:

The State Identification Systems (SIS) Grant Program enables eligible States to support three types of efforts. Funds may be applied to establish, develop, update, or upgrade:

(1) Computerized identification systems that are compatible and integrated with the databases of the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) of the Federal Bureau of Investigation;

(2) The capability to analyze deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) of their forensic laboratories in ways that are compatible and integrated with the Combined DNA Identification System (CODIS) of the Federal Bureau of Investigation; and

(3) Automated fingerprint identification systems that are compatible and integrated with the Integrated Automated Fingerprint Identification System (IAFIS) of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Eligibility: To be eligible to receive a grant under this program, a State shall require that each person convicted of a felony of a sexual nature provide to appropriate State law enforcement officials, as designated by the chief executive officer of the State, a sample of blood, saliva, or other specimen necessary to conduct a DNA analysis consistent with the standards established for DNA testing by the FBI Director.

For purposes of the SIS grant program, the term "State" means any State of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. However, for the purpose of this program, American Samoa and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands shall be considered as one State

whereby, 67 percent of the amounts allocated shall be allocated to American Samoa and 33 percent to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. The determination of which states are eligible will be made by the FBI.

The Fiscal Year 1997 appropriation for the "State Identification Systems Grant Program" is \$9.5 million.

An application kit will be mailed to agencies designated by the Governor or Chief Executive Officer of States. The designated State agency will be responsible for submitting the State's application, selecting subrecipients to receive funds, disbursing funds, and performing other administrative functions. Any State that does not receive a copy of the application kit may obtain a copy by contacting the Bureau of Justice Assistance through the DOJ Response Center as described below.

Each State and territory has been allocated approximately \$172,727 except for American Samoa which is allocated \$115,727 and Northern Mariana Islands which is allocated \$57,000.

Any appropriated funds which cannot be awarded in any fiscal year shall be carried forward to the next fiscal year and added to the amount appropriated by Congress for the SIS Grant Program.

Expenditures for the SIS Grant Program may include equipment, supplies, training or education expenses, modifications to space necessary to accommodate equipment, contractor-provided services to address backlog or program implementation issues, and State and local personnel expenses if personnel are devoted to a qualifying identification project(s).

States receiving funding under this program are not required to pass through funding to local agencies. However, States may use grant funds in conjunction with local government agencies or enter into a compact(s) with another State(s) to carry out the grant purposes. No match is required and the Federal funds may cover up to 100% of the total cost of the project(s) described in the application.

States are advised to coordinate SIS program resources and activities with related activities supported by other federal grant programs including the Bureau of Justice Assistance Byrne Formula Grant Program, the National Institute of Justice DNA Laboratory Improvement Program, and the Bureau of Justice Statistics National Criminal History Records Improvement Program (NCHIP).

The application, and award processes will be fully explained in the application kit.

Nancy E. Gist,

Director, Bureau of Justice Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Office of the Secretary

Bureau of International Labor Affairs; National Administrative Office; North American Agreement on Labor Cooperation; Notice of Cancellation of Hearing on Submission #9602

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Labor.

ACTION: Notice of cancellation of hearing.

SUMMARY: On March 13, 1997, the Department provided notice in the **Federal Register** of the hearing, open to the public, on Submission #9602. The notice stated that the hearing would be held in Tucson, Arizona, on April 17, 1997, at a location to be announced. On March 31, 1997, the Department provided notice of change of date, that the hearing would be held on April 18, 1997, beginning at 9:00 a.m., and providing the location at City Hall, 255 West Alameda, Tucson, Arizona 85701.

Submission #9602 has since been withdrawn. The purpose of this notice is to announce the cancellation of the hearing.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Irasema T. Garza, Secretary, U.S. National Administrative Officer, Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room C-4327, Washington, D.C. 20210. Telephone: (202) 501-6653 (this is not a toll-free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Please refer to the notices published in the **Federal Register** on March 13, 1997 (62 FR 11924) and March 31, 1997 (62 FR 15198-15199).

Signed at Washington, D.C. on April 16, 1997.

Irasema T. Garza,

Secretary, National Administrative Office.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden conducts a preclearance 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 (PRA95) [44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)]. This 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 collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. Currently, the Employment and Training Administration (ETA) is soliciting comments concerning the proposed extension of approval for Form ETA 581, Contribution Operations. A copy of the proposed information collection request (ICR) can be obtained by contacting the office listed below in the addressee section of this notice.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the addressee section below on or before June 17, 1997. The Department of Labor 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 submissions of responses.

ADDRESSES: Constance I. Peterkin, Room S-4522, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20210; telephone number: (202) 219-5615, extension 198 (this is not a toll-free number); internet address: peterkinc@doleta.gov; facsimile number: (202) 219-8506.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The Unemployment Insurance Service (UIS) of the Employment and Training Administration (ETA) has three programs which evaluate the separate functions within the Unemployment Insurance (UI) program. The Benefit Accuracy Measurement (BAM) program assesses the accuracy of paying UI benefits. The Benefit Timeliness and Quality (BTQ) program assesses the quality and timeliness of UI benefit functions; while the Tax Performance System (TPS) evaluates the employer-related functions or tax operations of the UI program. The Contribution Operations report (Form ETA 581), is a comprehensive report of each State's UI tax operations and is essential in providing quarterly tax performance data to DOL/ETA/UIS, the source of grants funding authority. ETA 581 data is the basis for determining the adequacy of funding of States' UI tax operations and measuring the performance and effectiveness of such operations. These are required Federal functions under the Federal-State UI program.

Using ETA 581 data, the TPS program measures performance, accuracy, and promptness in employer registration (status determination), report delinquency, collections (accounts receivable), and the audit function.

II. Current Actions

It is important that approval of the ETA 581 report be extended because it is the only vehicle for collection of information required under the TPS program. If ETA 581 data were not collected, there would be no basis for determining the adequacy of funding for States' UI tax operations, making projections and forecasts in conjunction with the budgetary process, nor measuring program performance and effectiveness. The ETA 581 accounts receivable data are necessary in the preparation of complete and accurate financial statements for the Unemployment Trust Fund (UTF) and the maintenance of a modified accrual system for UTF accounting.

Type of Review: Extension (without change).

Agency: Employment and Training Administration.

Title: Contribution Operations.

OMB Number: 1205-0178.

Agency Number: ETA 581.

Affected Public: State Government.

Cite/Reference/Form/etc.: ETA 581.

Total Respondents: 53.

Frequency: Quarterly.

Total Responses: 212.