

accordance with 21 CFR 1301.54 in such form as prescribed by 21 CFR 1316.47.

Any such comments, objections, or request for a hearing may be addressed, in quintuplicate, to the Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Administration, United States Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. 20537, Attention: DEA Federal Register Representative (CCR), and must be filed no later than (30 days from publication).

This procedure is to be conducted simultaneously with and independent of the procedures in 21 CFR 1311.42 (b), (c), (d), (e), and (f). As noted in a previous notice at 40 FR 43745-46 (September 23, 1975), all applicants for registration to import basic classes of any controlled substances in Schedule I or II are and will continue to be required to demonstrate to the Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Administration that the requirements for such registration pursuant to 21 U.S.C. 958(a), 21 U.S.C. 823(a), and 21 CFR 1311.42, (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), and (f) are satisfied.

Dated: June 5, 1997.

John H. King,

Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

National Institute of Justice

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Solicitation for Research and Evaluation on Sentencing Reforms and Their Effects on Corrections (1997)

AGENCY: Office of Justice Programs, National Institute of Justice, Justice.

ACTION: Notice of solicitation.

SUMMARY: Announcement of the availability of the National Institute of Justice "Solicitation for Research and Evaluation on Sentencing Reforms and Their Effects on Corrections (1997)."

DATES: The deadline for receipt of proposals is close of business on August 1, 1997.

ADDRESSES: National Institute of Justice, 633 Indiana Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20531.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For a copy of the solicitation, please call NCJRS 1-800-851-3420. For general

information about application procedures for solicitations, please call the U.S. Department of Justice Response Center 1-800-421-6770.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority

This action is authorized under the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968, §§ 201-03, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 3721-23 (1994).

Background

The National Institute of Justice calls for proposals for research and evaluation of the Violent Offenders Incarceration and Truth-in-Sentencing Acts (Title II, Subtitle A) of the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994, as amended. Requested areas of research are broken down into three main categories: sentencing impact evaluations, topical research and evaluation, and practitioner-research partnerships.

Section A, Sentencing Impact Evaluations, is divided into three topic areas: impact on length of stay in correctional facilities, impact on management and operations of facilities, and the impact of privatization.

Section B calls for proposals on topics of interest to NIJ, including: victim issues and concerns, the sentenced offender, unintended consequences of sentencing, court-related issues, and public opinion on sentencing. These topics are only illustrative of the research and evaluations that NIJ encourages under this solicitation. In developing other topics applicants should explain their likely contribution to the understanding of sentencing policies.

Section C calls for applications for the development of practitioner-researcher partnerships to explore how State sentencing policies and practices are best implemented in State or local agencies. Both sentencing and corrections partnerships can be formed. These partnerships may be newly formed in response to this solicitation or they may build on an existing relationship between researchers and practitioners. The applicant may be either the practitioner agency or the research agency or academic institution. Applications from jurisdictions of all sizes are encouraged.

Interested organizations should call the National Criminal Justice Reference Service (NCJRS) at 1-800-851-3420 to obtain a copy of "Solicitation for Research and Evaluation on Sentencing Reforms and Their Effects on Corrections" (refer to document no. SL000229). The solicitation is available

electronically via the NCJRS Bulletin Board, which can be accessed via the Internet. Telnet to ncjrsbbs.ncjrs.org, or gopher to ncjrs.org:71. For World Wide Web access, connect to the NCJRS Justice Information Center at <http://www.ncjrs.org>. Those without Internet access can dial the NCJRS Bulletin Board via modem: dial 301-738-8895. Set the modem at 9600 baud, 8-N-1.

Jeremy Travis,

Director, National Institute of Justice.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

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 Department of Labor is soliciting comments concerning the proposed new collection, the "Applicant Background Questionnaire". 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 August 18, 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 clarify 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.

ADDRESSEE: Anderson Glasgow, U.S. Department of Labor, Human Resource Services Center, 200 Constitution Ave. N.W. Room C-5516, Washington, D.C. 20210; Phone: 202-219-6555 ext. 115; fax. 202-219-5820; internet: aglasgow@dol.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The Department of Labor (DOL) is charged with providing a wide range of services for the diverse workforce which exists in the United State. In order to better serve this diverse national workforce, the agency needs a diverse internal workforce which reflects and has knowledge of the various cultural dimensions of the nation as a whole. DOL is interested in seeking internal diversity in order to bring a wider variety of perspectives to bear on the range of issues with which the Department deals.

To achieve internal diversity, DOL employment offices have targeted recruitment outreach to a variety of sources, including educational institutions, professional organizations, newspapers and magazines. DOL has also participated in career fairs and conferences, that reach high concentrations of Hispanics, African Americans, Native Americans, and persons with disabilities.

At the present, DOL does not have the ability to evaluate the effectiveness of any of these targeted recruiting strategies because collection of racial and national origin information only occurs at the point of hiring. DOL needs to collect data on the pools of applicants which result from the various targeted recruitment strategies listed above. With the information from this new collection, DOL can adjust and redirect its targeted recruitment to achieve the best result.

II. Current Actions

This new collection will consist of a series of questions to be answered by all job applicants external to DOL, and submitted together with the job application. The collection will request the applicant's name, social security

number, sex, race and/or national origin, whether or not disabled, and the source of information about the vacancy applied for (e.g., newspaper, school recruitment, internet, etc.).

Type of Review: New.

Agency: U.S. Department of Labor.

Title: Applicant Background

Questionnaire.

Agency Number: 1225-0000.

Affected Public: Applicants for positions in the Department of Labor who are not current DOL employees.

Total Respondents: 5000 per year (estimate).

Frequency: One time per respondent.

Total Responses: 5000 per year (estimate).

Average Time per Response: 5 minutes.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 417 hours.

Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): \$2285.

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintaining): \$3472.

Comments submitted in response to this comment request will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: June 2, 1997.

Larry K. Goodwin,

Director of Human Resources.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Bureau of Labor Statistics

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 pre-clearance 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 Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) is soliciting

comments concerning the proposed revision of the "Consumer Price Index Housing Survey." A copy of the proposed information collection request (ICR) can be obtained by contacting the individual 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 August 18, 1997. The Bureau of Labor Statistics 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.

ADDRESSEE: Send comments to Karin G. Kurz, BLS Clearance Officer, Division of Management Systems, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Room 3255, 2 Massachusetts Avenue, N.E., Washington, DC. 20212. Ms. Kurz can be reached on 202-606-7628 (this is not a toll free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is the only index compiled by the U.S. Government that is designed to measure changes in the purchasing power of the urban consumer's dollar. The CPI is most widely used as a measure of inflation, and serves as an indicator of the effectiveness of Government economic policy. It is also used as a deflator of other economic series, that is, to adjust other series for price changes and to translate these series into inflation-free dollars.

II. Current Actions

This request is for a one-year revision of the collection of housing information based on 1980 Census data. In order to facilitate a smooth transition and continuity of the housing indexes into the CPI Revision Housing Survey, the