

solutions to the problem of child labor worldwide. The grant or grants will be administered by the International Child Labor Program (ICLP) of the Bureau of International Labor Affairs (ILAB).

DATES: The closing date for receipt of a completed application in response to the SGA will be no later than 4:45 p.m. on July 15, 1999.

FOR COMPLETE APPLICATION SEND WRITTEN REQUEST TO: Lisa Harvey, Department of Labor, Procurement Services Center, Room N-5416, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20210, Telephone Number (202) 219-9335.

Signed at Washington, DC this 8th day of June, 1999.

Lawrence J. Kuss,
Grant Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

Proposed Information Collection Request Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations; Unemployment Insurance Benefit Accuracy Measurement Program

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 (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. This notice by the Employment and Training Administration is to solicit comments concerning the proposed extension of the collection of the Unemployment Insurance Benefit Accuracy Measurement program data (OMB control number 1205-0245) now authorized through 9/30/99. A copy of the proposed changes to the information collection Handbook (ETA Handbook 395) can be obtained by contacting the employee listed below in the contact section of this notice.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before August 13, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted to: Grace A. Kilbane, Director, Unemployment Insurance Service, Employment and Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room S-4231, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20210, 202-219-7831, ext. 167 (this is not a toll-free number); FAX, 202-219-8506; Internet: <gkilbane@doleta.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: William N. Coyne, Unemployment Insurance Service, Employment and Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room S-4522, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20210, 202-219-5223, ext. 142 (this is not a toll-free number); FAX, 202-219-8506; Internet: <wcoyne@doleta.gov>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

Since 1987, all State Employment Security Agencies (SESAs) except in the U.S. Virgin Islands have been required by regulation at 20 CFR Part 602 to operate Benefit Accuracy Measurement (BAM) programs to assess the accuracy of their Unemployment Insurance (UI) benefit payments. The Department's statutory authority for those regulations is found at Sections 303(a)(1), 303(a)(6), and 303(b) of the Social Security Act. The BAM programs operate as follows: each State draws a weekly sample of payments made for intrastate claims made in the State UI, Unemployment Compensation for Federal Employees, and Unemployment Compensation for Ex-Service Members programs. States are required to draw minimum annual samples. The ten States with the smallest claims loads must draw at least 360 payments; all other States must draw at least 480, although several voluntarily draw longer samples. In calendar years 1998, annual samples averaged slightly over 500 cases per State, and ranged from 360 to 1730. A specially trained staff of State investigators reviews agency records and contacts the claimant, employers, and third parties to verify all the information pertinent to the benefit amount for the sampled week. Although contacts originally had to be made in person, since July 1993, investigators have been able to use a mix of in-person, mail, and telephone/fax contacts to verify information. Using the verified information, they determined what the benefit payment should have been to accord fully with State law and policy. Any differences between the actual and reconstructed payment are underpayment or overpayment errors. States code the results of each case

investigated to a database on a computer provided by the Department of Labor. Data on each case include the type and causes of, and parties responsible for, any error, and a variety of demographic, labor market, and UI program information considered critical to developing program improvements and useful to the States and the Department for other analytical purposes. The States and the Department of Labor use BAM information to estimate the extent of mispayments, to monitor program quality, guide possible future program improvements, inform system stakeholders, and perform various policy analyses. Because of the extent of the BAM data record and its representatives of the population of payments, the Department uses the data extensively to produce information on State program operations (e.g., how many claims are filed electronically, how many claimants receive eligibility reviews) and characteristics of the claimant population. It is an invaluable resource for producing measures such as the percent of wages which UI benefits replace for those actually receiving a benefit. The program costs approximately \$22 million each year to operate.

The typical investigation requires about 7.5 hours per case and in total the allocated 23,760 cases are estimated to impose a paperwork burden of 75,319 hours. The program is operated under OMB control number 1205-0245; approval under this number expires 9/30/99.

II. Review Focus

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 submission of responses.

III. Current Actions

This is a request for OMB approval (under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)) to extend an existing collection of information previously approved and assigned OMB Control No. 1205-0245. Burden hours would remain the same at 75,319.

Type of Review: Extension.

Agency: Employment and Training Administration.

Title: Unemployment Insurance Benefit Accuracy Measurement Program.

OMB Number: 1205-0245.

Frequency: Weekly.

Recordkeeping: States are required to follow their State laws regarding public record retention in retaining BAM records.

Affected Public: Individuals; businesses; other for-profit/not-for-profit institutions; farms; Federal, State, Local, or Tribal Governments.

Number of Respondents: 52.

Estimated Time Per Response: 3.17 hours.

Total Estimated Cost: \$22 million.

Total Burden Hours: 75,319 hours.

Comments submitted in response to this notice 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 7, 1999.

Grace A. Kilbane,

Director, Unemployment Insurance Service.
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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION**Notice [99-081]****NASA Advisory Council (NAC), Aero-Space Technology Advisory Committee (ASTAC); Meeting**

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, as amended, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration announces a forthcoming meeting of the NASA Advisory Council, Aero-Space Technology Advisory Committee.

DATES: Tuesday, July 13, 1999, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; and Wednesday, July 14, 1999, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

ADDRESSES: National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Room 7H46, 300 E Street, SW, Washington, DC 20546.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Mary-Ellen McGrath, Office of Aero-Space Technology, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Washington, DC 20546 (202/358-4729).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting will be open to the public up to the seating capacity of the room. The agenda for the meeting is as follows:
—Aero-Space Technology Overview
—National Transonic Facility Productivity Report
—Role of the ASTAC in the Government Performance and Results Act
—Subcommittee Reports
—FAA/NASA Partnership Agreement
—FAA/NASA Executive Committee Activities

It is imperative that the meeting be held on these dates to accommodate the scheduling priorities of the key participants.

Dated: June 2, 1999.

Matthew M. Crouch,

Advisory Committee Management Officer, National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

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NATIONAL CAPITAL PLANNING COMMISSION**Senior Executive Service Performance Board Members**

AGENCY: National Capital Planning Commission.

ACTION: Notice of members of Senior Executive Service Performance Review Board.

SUMMARY: Section 4314(c) of Title 5, U.S.C. (as amended by the Civil Service Reform Act of 1978) requires each agency to establish, in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Office of Personnel Management, one or more Performance Review Boards (PRB) to review, evaluate, and make a final recommendation on performance appraisals assigned to individual members of the agency's Senior Executive Service (SES). The PRB established for the National Capital Planning Commission also makes recommendations to the agency head regarding SES performance awards, ranks and bonuses, and recertification. Section 4314 (c) (4) requires that notice of appointment of Performance Review Board Members be published in the **Federal Register**. The following persons have been appointed to serve as members of the Performance Review Board for the National Capital Planning Commission: Reginald W. Griffith,

Stephen E. Crable, Patricia Cornwell-Johnson, Solly Thomas, and Gloria J. Joseph, from May 20, 1999 to May 20, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Connie M. Harshaw, Assistant Executive Director (Management), National Capital Planning Commission, 801 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Suite 301, Washington, DC 20576 (202) 482-7200.

Dated: June 8, 1999.

Sandra H. Shapiro,

General Counsel, National Capital Planning Commission

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NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES**National Endowment for the Arts****Leadership Initiatives Advisory Panel**

Pursuant to Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 463), as amended, notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Leadership Initiatives Advisory Panel (Dance Section) to the National Council on the Arts will be held on June 18, 1999. The panel will meet from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. via teleconference from room 726 at the Nancy Hanks Center, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20506.

This meeting is for the purpose of Panel review, discussion, evaluation, and recommendations on financial assistance under the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965, as amended, including information given in confidence to the agency. In accordance with the determination of the Chairman of May 12, 1999, these sessions will be closed to the public pursuant to subsection (c)(4),(6) and (9)(B) of section 552b of Title 5, United States Code.

Further information with reference to this meeting can be obtained from Ms. Kathy Plowitz-Worden, Panel Coordinator, National Endowment for the Arts, Washington, DC 20506, or call (202) 682-5691.

Dated: June 10, 1999.

Kathy Plowitz-Worden,

Panel Coordinator, National Endowment for the Arts.

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