

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Joseph Durbala, Internal Revenue Service, room 6516, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the regulations should be directed to Larnice Mack at Internal Revenue Service, room 6512, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224, or at (202) 622-3179, or through the Internet at [Larnice.Mack@irs.gov](mailto:Larnice.Mack@irs.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Certain Transfers of Domestic Stock or Securities by U.S. Persons to Foreign Corporations.

*OMB Number:* 1545-1478.

*Regulation Project Number:* INTL-9-95.

*Abstract:* This regulation relates to certain transfers of stock or securities of domestic corporations pursuant to the corporate organization, reorganization, or liquidation provisions of the internal Revenue Code. Transfers of stock or securities by U.S. persons in tax-free transactions are treated as taxable transactions when the acquirer is a foreign corporation, unless an exception applies under Code section 367(a). This regulation provides that no U.S. person will qualify for an exception unless the U.S. target company complies with certain reporting requirements.

*Current Actions:* There is no change to this existing regulation.

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

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit organizations.

*Estimated Number of Responses:* 100.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 10 hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 1,000.

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 as long as 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.

**Request for Comments**

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are

invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Approved: November 3, 2004.

**R. Joseph Durbala,**

*IRS Reports Clearance Officer.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

[OMB Control No. 2900-0500]

**Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review**

**AGENCY:** Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-21), this notice announces that the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs, has submitted the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden and includes the actual data collection instrument.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before December 13, 2004.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Denise McLamb, Records Management Service (005E3), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., or e-mail [denise.mclamb@mail.va.gov](mailto:denise.mclamb@mail.va.gov).

Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0500." Send comments and recommendations concerning any aspect of the information collection to VA's OMB Desk Officer, OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503, (202) 395-7316. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0500" in any correspondence.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Status of Dependents Questionnaire, VA Form 21-0538.

*OMB Control Number:* 2900-0500.

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

*Abstract:* Veterans receiving compensation for service-connected disability which includes an additional amount for their spouse and/or child(ren) must report any changes in the number of dependents. VA Form 21-0538 is used to request certification of the status of dependents for whom additional compensation is being paid.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on August 10, 2004 at pages 48565-48566.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 14,083 hours.

*Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent:* 10 minutes.

*Frequency of Response:* Once in eight years.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 84,500.

Dated: October 26, 2004.

By direction of the Secretary.

**Loise Russell,**

*Director, Records Management Service.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

[OMB Control No. 2900-0036]

**Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review**

**AGENCY:** Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3521), this notice announces that the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs, has submitted the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden; it includes the actual data collection instrument.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before December 13, 2004.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Denise McLamb, Records Management Service (005E3), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420, (202) 273-8030, FAX (202) 273-5981 or e-mail [denise.mclamb@mail.va.gov](mailto:denise.mclamb@mail.va.gov). Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0036." Send comments and recommendations concerning any aspect of the information collection to VA's OMB Desk Officer, OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 (202) 395-7316. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0036" in any correspondence.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Statement of Disappearance, VA Form 21-1775.

*OMB Control Number:* 2900-0036.

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

*Abstract:* VA Form 21-1775 is used to gather the necessary information to determine if a decision of presumptive death can be made for benefit payment purposes. A formal presumption of death is required when a veteran has been missing for over seven years.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on June 15, 2004 at pages 33466-33467.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 28 hours.

*Estimated Average Burden Per*

*Respondent:* 2 hours 45 minutes.

*Frequency of Response:* One-time.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 10.

Dated: October 28, 2004.

By direction of the Secretary.

**Loise Russell,**

*Director, Records Management Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0089]

### Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review

**AGENCY:** Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995

(44 U.S.C. 3501-21), this notice announces that the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs, has submitted the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden and includes the actual data collection instrument.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before December 13, 2004.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Denise McLamb, Records Management Service (005E3), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., or e-mail [denise.mclamb@mail.va.gov](mailto:denise.mclamb@mail.va.gov). Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0089." Send comments and recommendations concerning any aspect of the information collection to VA's OMB Desk Officer, OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503, (202) 395-7316. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0089" in any correspondence.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Statement of Dependency of Parent(s), VA Form 21-509.

*OMB Control Number:* 2900-0089.

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

*Abstract:* VA Form 21-509 is used to gather income and dependency information from claimants who are seeking payment of benefits as or for a dependent parent. The form is completed by veterans seeking to establish his/her parent(s) as dependents as well as by a surviving parent seeking death compensation.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on June 15, 2004 at page 33467.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 4,000 hours.

*Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent:* 30 minutes.

*Frequency of Response:* One-time.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 8,000.

Dated: October 26, 2004.

By direction of the Secretary.

**Loise Russell,**

*Director, Records Management Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0149]

### Proposed Information Collection Activity: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of a currently approved collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to this notice. This notice solicits comments for information needed to convert to a permanent plan of insurance.

**DATES:** Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before January 11, 2005.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments on the collection of information to Nancy J. Kessinger, Veterans Benefits Administration (20M35), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420 or e-mail [irmnkess@vba.va.gov](mailto:irmnkess@vba.va.gov). Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0149" in any correspondence.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Nancy J. Kessinger at (202) 273-7079 or FAX (202) 275-5947.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the PRA of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13; 44 U.S.C. 3501-3521), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, VBA invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of VBA's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of VBA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the