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This section of the FEDERAL REGISTER contains notices to the public of the proposed issuance of rules and regulations. The purpose of these notices is to give interested persons an opportunity to participate in the rule making prior to the adoption of the final rules.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

34 CFR Part 106

RIN 1870-AA14

[Docket ID ED-2018-OCR-0064]

Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance

AGENCY: Office for Civil Rights, Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: On November 29, 2018, the Department published in the **Federal Register** a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) to amend the Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance regulations. That NPRM established a 60-day comment period from November 29, 2018, through January 28, 2019. The Department is extending the public comment period for two days, until January 30, 2019.

DATES: The comment period for the proposed rule published November 29, 2018, at 83 FR 61462, is extended. Comments must be submitted to the Department on or before January 30, 2019.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments through the Federal eRulemaking Portal or via postal mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery. The Department will not accept comments submitted by fax or by email or those submitted after the comment period. To ensure that the Department does not receive duplicate copies, please submit your comments only once. In addition, please include the Docket ID at the top of your comments.

• *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to www.regulations.gov to submit your comments electronically. Information on using *Regulations.gov*, including instructions for finding a rule on the site and submitting comments, is available

on the site under “How to use *Regulations.gov*” in the Help section.

• *Postal Mail, Commercial Delivery, or Hand Delivery:* The Department strongly encourages commenters to submit their comments electronically. If, however, you mail or deliver your comments about the proposed regulations, address them to Brittany Bull, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW, Room 6E310, Washington, DC 20202-5900.

Privacy Note: The Department’s policy is to make all comments received from members of the public available for public viewing in their entirety on the Federal eRulemaking Portal at www.regulations.gov. Therefore, commenters should be careful to include in their comments only information that they wish to make publicly available.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Brittany Bull, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW, Room 6E310, Washington, DC 20202-5900. Telephone: 202-453-7100. You may also email your questions to TitleIXNPRM@ed.gov, but, as described above, comments must be submitted via the Federal eRulemaking Portal, postal mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery.

If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf or a text telephone, call the Federal Relay Service, toll free, at 1-800-877-8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background: On November 29, 2018, the Department published an NPRM in the **Federal Register** (83 FR 61462), to amend the Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance regulations to provide appropriate standards for how recipients must respond to incidents of sexual harassment. The NPRM established a 60-day comment period through January 28, 2019. However, the Federal eRulemaking Portal was temporarily unavailable for a portion of January 16 and 17, 2019, due to technical issues. To ensure that the public will have had 60 days in total to submit comments on the Department’s NPRM using the Federal eRulemaking Portal, the Department is extending the public comment period for an additional two days. The Department must now receive your comments submitted through the Federal

eRulemaking Portal on or before 11:59 p.m. EST January 30, 2019, hand delivered on or before 5 p.m. EST January 30, 2019, or postmarked on or before January 30, 2019, if delivered by postal mail or commercial delivery.

Accessible Format: Individuals with disabilities can obtain this document in an accessible format (e.g., braille, large print, audiotape, or compact disc) on request to the contact person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

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Dated: January 23, 2019.

Betsy DeVos,

Secretary of Education.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of the Secretary

43 CFR Part 2

[Docket No. DOI-2018-0017]

RIN 1093-AA26

Freedom of Information Act Regulations

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Interior.

ACTION: Proposed rule; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: The Department of Interior (Department) extends the comment period for its December 28, 2018, notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM)

concerning the regulations the Department follows in processing records under the Freedom of Information Act. Due to a technical glitch on www.regulations.gov in mid-January, the Department believes it is appropriate to extend the comment period an additional day to ensure interested parties have the full 30 days to submit their responses to the NPRM. Therefore, the Department extends the deadline for the submission of comments from January 28, 2019, to January 29, 2019.

DATES: The comment period for the NPRM published December 28, 2019, at 83 FR 67175, is extended. Comments must be received on or before January 29, 2019.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments on the rulemaking by either of the methods listed below. Please use Docket No. DOI-2018-0017 in your message.

1. *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <https://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the

instructions on the website for submitting comments.

2. *U.S. mail, courier, or hand delivery:* Executive Secretariat—FOIA regulations, Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street NW, Washington, DC 20240.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cindy Cafaro, Office of Executive Secretariat and Regulatory Affairs, 202-208-5342.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Public Participation and Request for Comments

The Department encourages you to participate by submitting comments and related materials. The Department will consider all comments and material received during the comment period and may change the proposed rule based on your comments.

Background

The December 28, 2018, NPRM (83 FR 67175) asked for public comment on the regulations that the Department follows

in processing records under the Freedom of Information Act. The revisions clarify and update procedures for requesting information from the Department and procedures that the Department follows in responding to requests from the public.

Extension of the Public Comment Period

The comment period for the NPRM was set to expire on January 28, 2019 (83 FR 67175). Due to a technical glitch on www.regulations.gov in mid-January, the Department believes it is appropriate to extend the comment period an additional day to ensure interested parties have the full 30 days to submit their responses to the NPRM. Accordingly, the Department extends the comment period for all comments on the NPRM to January 29, 2019.

James Cason,

Associate Deputy Secretary.

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