

reemployment of UI benefit recipients through the ETA 9047 report. OMB approved the Department's request to begin collecting UI reemployment data through the ETA 9047 report on July 26, 2005. This data collection was renewed in 2014 through September 30, 2017.

ETA has also included UI reemployment as a performance measure for UI Performs, the Department's performance management system for the UI program. Per UI Program Letter (UIPL) No. 17-08 (May 14, 2008), Acceptable Levels of Performance (ALP), the minimum performance criteria for UI Performs Core Measures are set annually for each state. The ALPs take into account a state's total unemployment rate and the percentage of UI claimants who are exempt from active work search or Employment Service (ES) registration requirements because they are job-attached. Analyses of the data indicate that UI reemployment is strongly related to these two factors.

Each calendar quarter, states report on the ETA 9047 report separate counts for individuals receiving their first UI payments who are exempt from active work search or ES registration requirements, in most cases because they are job-attached with definite recall dates, and those not exempt from active work search or ES registration requirements.

States also report on the ETA 9047 report the number of those first payment recipients for whom intrastate or out-of-state employers reported wages in the subsequent quarter. States obtain these counts by crossmatching the Social Security Numbers (SSNs) of claimants who received UI first payments with the UI wage records for the subsequent calendar quarter. ETA issued instructions on obtaining out-of-state reemployment data through matching the SSNs of UI first payment recipients with UI wage records in the National Directory of New Hires in UIPL No. 1-06, Change 1 (August 2, 2006).

This information collection is subject to the PRA. A Federal agency generally cannot conduct or sponsor a collection of information, and the public is generally not required to respond to an information collection, unless it is approved by the OMB under the PRA and displays a currently valid OMB Control Number. In addition, notwithstanding any other provisions of law, no person shall generally be subject to penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information that does not display a valid Control Number. See 5 CFR 1320.5(a) and 1320.6.

Interested parties are encouraged to provide comments to the contact shown

in the **ADDRESSES** section. Comments must be written to receive consideration, and they will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval of the final ICR. In order to help ensure appropriate consideration, comments should mention Reemployment of UI Benefit Recipient, OMB control number 1205-0452.

Submitted comments will also be a matter of public record for this ICR and posted on the Internet, without redaction. The DOL encourages commenters not to include personally identifiable information, confidential business data, or other sensitive statements/information in any comments.

The DOL is particularly interested in comments that:

- 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.

Agency: DOL-ETA.

Type of Review: Extension without changes.

Title of Collection: Reemployment of Unemployment Insurance Benefit Recipients.

Form: ETA 9047.

OMB Control Number: 1205-0452.

Affected Public: State Workforce Agencies (SWAs).

Estimated Number of Respondents: 53.

Frequency: Quarterly.

Total Estimated Annual Responses: 212.

Estimated Average Time per Response: 10 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 2,120 hours.

Total Estimated Annual Other Cost Burden: \$0.

Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A).

Byron Zuidema,

Deputy Assistance Secretary for Employment and Training, Labor.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request; Interstate Arrangement for Combining Employment and Wages

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor (DOL), Employment and Training Administration (ETA) is soliciting comments concerning a proposed extension for the authority to conduct the information collection request (ICR) titled, "Interstate Arrangement for Combining Employment and Wages." This comment request is part of continuing Departmental efforts to reduce paperwork and respondent burden in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA).

DATES: Consideration will be given to all written comments received by May 15, 2017.

ADDRESSES: A copy of this ICR with applicable supporting documents; including a description of the likely respondents, proposed frequency of response, and estimated total burden may be obtained free by contacting Corey Pitts by telephone at 202-693-3357, TTY 1-877-889-5627 (these are not a toll-free numbers), or by email at Pitts.Corey@dol.gov.

Submit written comments about, or request a copy of, this ICR by mail or courier to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Office of Unemployment Insurance, 200 Constitution Avenue NW., Frances Perkins Bldg. Room S-4524, Washington, DC 20210; by email at: Pitts.Corey@dol.gov; or by fax at 202-693-3975.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The DOL, as part of continuing efforts to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a pre-clearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information before submitting them to the OMB for final approval. This program helps to

ensure 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 can be properly assessed.

Section 3304(a)(9)(B), of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC) of 1986, requires states to participate in an arrangement for combining employment and wages covered under the different state laws for the purpose of determining unemployed workers' entitlement to unemployment compensation. The Interstate Arrangement for Combining Employment and Wages for combined wage claims (CWC), promulgated at 20 CFR 616, requires the prompt transfer of all relevant and available employment and wage data between states upon request. The Benefit Payment Promptness Standard, 20 CFR 640, requires the prompt payment of unemployment compensation including benefits paid under the CWC arrangement. The ETA 586 report provides the ETA/Office of Unemployment Insurance with information necessary to measure the scope and effect of the CWC program and to monitor the performance of each state in responding to wage transfer data requests and the payment of benefits.

This information collection is subject to the PRA. A Federal agency generally cannot conduct or sponsor a collection of information, and the public is generally not required to respond to an information collection, unless it is approved by the OMB under the PRA and displays a currently valid OMB Control Number. In addition, notwithstanding any other provisions of law, no person shall generally be subject to penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information that does not display a valid Control Number. See 5 CFR 1320.5(a) and 1320.6.

Interested parties are encouraged to provide comments to the contact shown in the **ADDRESSES** section. Comments must be written to receive consideration, and they will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval of the final ICR. In order to help ensure appropriate consideration, comments should mention OMB control number 1205-0029.

Submitted comments will also be a matter of public record for this ICR and posted on the Internet, without redaction. The DOL encourages commenters not to include personally identifiable information, confidential business data, or other sensitive statements/information in any comments.

The DOL is particularly interested in comments that:

- 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
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Agency: DOL-ETA.

Type of Review: Extension without changes.

Title of Collection: Interstate Arrangement for Combining Employment and Wages.

Form: ETA 586.

OMB Control Number: 1205-0029.

Affected Public: State Workforce Agencies.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 53.

Frequency: Quarterly.

Total Estimated Annual Responses: 212.

Estimated Average Time per Response: 4 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 848.

Total Estimated Annual Other Costs Burden: \$0.

Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A).

Byron Zuidema,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Employment and Training, Labor.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

[Secretary's Order 03-2017]

Delegation of Authorities and Assignment of Responsibilities to the Assistant Secretary for Administration and Management

Date: January 18, 2017.

1. *Purpose.* To consolidate the delegations of authority and assignments of responsibility to the Assistant Secretary for Administration and Management (ASAM) and to codify

other existing delegations not otherwise the subject of a Secretary's Order.

2. Directives Affected.

A. This Order repeals and supersedes Secretary's Order 05-2009 (Delegation and Assignment of Responsibilities to the Assistant Secretary for Administration and Management).

B. The following Secretary's Order is referenced herein and remains in effect: 2-2009 (Delegation of Authority and Assignment of Responsibility to the Chief Acquisition Officer and Assistant Secretary for Administration and Management, and Related Matters).

C. This Order does not affect the authorities and responsibilities assigned by any other Secretary's Order, including without limitation 9-1989 (Data Integrity Board), 5-2001 (MRB), 1-2006 (Emergency Management) and 6-2006 (Regional Executive Committees), unless otherwise expressly so provided in this or another Order.

3. *Authority.* This Order is issued pursuant to various authorities detailed by subject area below:

A. *Performance Management.* The Government Performance and Results Act of 1993, as amended, Public Law 103-62; The Reports Consolidation Act of 2000 (Pub. L. 106-531); The Federal Information Security Modernization Act (FISMA) of 2014, 44 U.S.C. 3551 *et seq.*; OMB Circular No. A-11, Part 6, "Preparation and Submission of Strategic Plans, Annual Performance Plans, and Annual Program Performance Reports."

B. *Employee Safety and Occupational Health and Workers' Compensation Program.* Section 19 of the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970; Federal Employees' Compensation Act; Executive Order 12196, as amended by Executive Order 12223; 20 CFR 10; 29 CFR, Part 1960; 5 U.S.C. 7901, *et seq.*

C. *Operation and Maintenance of Departmental Buildings.* Section 2 of Reorganization Plan No. 18 of 1950, 5 U.S.C. 901; the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, 40 U.S.C. 581; "the Brooks Act", 40 U.S.C. 1101 *et seq.*; Public Building Act of 1959, as amended, 40 U.S.C. 601-611; 40 U.S.C. 3305; The Uniform Relocation and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 as amended, 46 U.S.C. 4601 *et seq.*; Public Buildings Cooperative Use Act of 1976, Public Law 94-541; Rural Development Act of 1972, Public Law 92-419, as amended by Section 636 of Division F of Public Law 108-199; Surface Transportation and Uniform Relocation Assistance Act of 1987 (101 Stat. 132); Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007, Public Law 110-140; Executive Orders 12072, 12411, 13006, and 13327; Federal Property