

control number. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published Vol. 82, FR 16, Thursday, January 26, 2017, pages 8567–8568.

Affected Public: Individuals or household or small businesses/other small entities.

Estimated Annual Burden: 19,535 hours.

Estimated Average Burden per Respondent: 75 minutes.

Frequency of Response: Once.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 15,628.

By direction of the Secretary.

Cynthia Harvey-Pryor,

Department Clearance Officer, Enterprise Records Service, Office of Quality and Compliance, Department of Veterans Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0708]

Agency Information Collection Activity: Evidence for Transfer of Entitlement of Education Benefits, CFR 21.7080

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 revision of a currently approved collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on information needed to transfer a servicemember's educational assistance benefits to his or her dependents.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before June 12, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at www.Regulations.gov or to Nancy J. Kessinger, Veterans Benefits Administration (20M33), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue

NW., Washington, DC 20420 or email to nancy.kessinger@va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0708" in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through the FDMS.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Nancy J. Kessinger at (202) 632-8924 or FAX (202) 632-8925.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA of 1995, 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 collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

Authority: Public Law 104-13; 44 U.S.C. 3501-21.

Title: Evidence for Transfer of Entitlement of Education Benefits, CFR 21.7080.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0708.

Type of Review: Revision of an approved collection.

Abstract: Servicemembers on active duty may request to designate up to a maximum of 18 months of their educational assistance entitlement to their spouse, one or more of their children, or a combination of the spouse and children. VA will accept DoD Form 2366-1 as evidence that the servicemember was approved by the military to transfer entitlement. The servicemember must submit in writing to VA, the names of each dependent, the number of months of entitlement transferred to each dependent, and the period (beginning or ending date) for which the transfer will be effective for each designated dependent. VA will use the information shown on DoD Form 2366-1 to determine whether the dependent qualifies to receive education benefits under the transfer of entitlement provision of law.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 11,311 hours.

Estimated Average Burden per Respondent: 5 minutes.

Frequency of Response: One time.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 135,735.

By direction of the Secretary.

Cynthia Harvey-Pryor,

Department Clearance Officer, Enterprise Records Service, Office of Quality and Compliance, Department of Veterans Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0116]

Agency Information Collection Activity: Notice to Department of Veterans Affairs of Veteran or Beneficiary Incarcerated in Penal Institution

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 revision of a currently approved collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice.

VA Form 21-4193 is used to gather information from penal institutions about incarcerated VA beneficiaries. When beneficiaries are incarcerated in penal institutions in excess of 60 days after conviction, VA benefits are reduced or terminated. Without this collection of information, VA would be unable to accurately adjust the rates of incarcerated beneficiaries and overpayments would result.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before June 12, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at www.Regulations.gov or to Nancy J. Kessinger, Veterans Benefits Administration (20M33), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420 or email to nancy.kessinger@va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0116" in any

correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through the FDMS.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nancy J. Kessinger at (202) 632-8924 or FAX (202) 632-8925.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA of 1995, 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 collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

Authority: Public Law 104-13; 44 U.S.C. 3501-21.

Title: (Notice to Department of Veterans Affairs of Veteran or Beneficiary Incarcerated in Penal Institution (VA Form 21-4193)).

OMB Control Number: 2900-0116.

Type of Review: Extension of an approved collection.

Abstract: VA Form 21-4193 is used to gather information from penal institutions about incarcerated VA beneficiaries. When beneficiaries are incarcerated in penal institutions in excess of 60 days after conviction, VA benefits are reduced or terminated. Without this collection of information, VA would be unable to accurately adjust the rates of incarcerated beneficiaries and overpayments would result.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 416.
Estimated Average Burden per Respondent: 15 minutes.
Frequency of Response: One time.
Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,664.

By direction of the Secretary.

Cynthia Harvey-Pryor,
Department Clearance Officer, Enterprise Records Service, Office of Quality and Compliance, Department of Veterans Affairs.

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VETERANS AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT

[OMB Control No. 2900-0654]

Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review: Annual Certification of Veteran Status and Veteran Relatives

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, this notice announces that the Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, will submit 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 it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before May 12, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through www.Regulations.gov, or to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attn: VA Desk Officer; 725 17th St. NW., Washington, DC 20503 or sent through electronic mail to oir_submission@omb.eop.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0500" in any correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Cynthia Harvey-Pryor, Enterprise Records Service (005R1B), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420, (202) 461-5870 or email cynthia.harvey-pryor@va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0500" in any correspondence.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3501-21.

Title: Annual Certification of Veteran Status and Veteran relatives (VA Form 20-0344).

OMB Control Number: 2900-0654.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: VA Form 20-0344 is completed by VBA employees, non-VBA employees in VBA space and Veteran Service Organization (VSO) employees who have access to benefit records. These individuals are required to provide personal identifying information for themselves and any veteran relatives, so VA is able to identify and properly protect these benefit records.

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 at 82 FR 7918 on January 23, 2017.

Affected Public: Individuals or Households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 14,000 hours.

Estimated Average Burden per Respondent: 10 minutes.

Frequency of Response: One time.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 5,834.

By direction of the Secretary.

Cynthia Harvey-Pryor,
Department Clearance Officer, Enterprise Records Service, Office of Quality and Compliance, Department of Veterans Affairs.

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