

help determine whether an applying individual qualifies for DEA or Fry Scholarship benefits. The information will also be used to determine if the program of education the applicant wishes to pursue is approved for educational assistance. The form is used to obtain the necessary information from the claimant, and a determination cannot be made without this information.

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 83 FR 03908 on February 27, 2018, pages 8572 and 8573.

Affected Public: Individuals or Households.

Estimate: Annual Burden: 29,739 hours.

Estimated Average Burden per Respondent = 45 and 25 min (paper and electronic, respectively).

Frequency of Response: one-time.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 50,981.

By direction of the Secretary.

Cynthia D. Harvey-Pryor,

Department Clearance Officer, Office of Quality, Privacy and Risk, Department of Veterans Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0016]

Agency Information Collection Activity: Claim for Disability Insurance Benefits, Government Life Insurance

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Veterans Benefits Administrations, 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 the notice. **DATES:** Written comments and

recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before *August 7, 2018*.

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 Administrations (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. 2900-0016 in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through FDMS.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cynthia Harvey-Pryor at (202) 461-5870.

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. 3501-3521.

Title: Claim for Disability Insurance Benefits, VA Form 29-357.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0016.

Type of Review: Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: This form is used by the policyholder to claim disability insurance benefits on S-DVI, NSLI and USGLI policies. The information requested is authorized by law, 38 U.S.C. 1912, 1915, 1922, 1942 and 1948.

Affected Public: Individuals and households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 14,175.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 1 Hour and 45 minutes.

Frequency of Response: Once.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 8,100.

By direction of the Secretary.

Cynthia D. Harvey-Pryor,

Department Clearance Officer, Office of Quality, Privacy and Risk, Department of Veterans Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0043]

Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review: Application Request To Add and/or Remove Dependents

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs

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 July 9, 2018.

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 *oira_submission@omb.eop.gov*. Please refer to “OMB Control No. 2900-0043” in any correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cynthia Harvey-Pryor, Enterprise Records Service (005R1B), Department of Veterans Affairs, 811 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420, (202) 461-5870 or email *cynthia.harvey-pryor@va.gov*. Please refer to “OMB Control No. 2900-0043” in any correspondence.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

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

Title: Application Request to Add and/or Remove Dependents (VA Form 21-686c).

OMB Control Number: 2900-0043.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: VA Form 21-686c is used to obtain current information about marital

status and dependent child(ren). This information is needed to determine the correct rate of payment for veterans and beneficiaries who may be entitled to an additional allowance for dependents or to remove dependents.

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Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published at 83 FR 03333 on February 20th, 2018, pages 7301 and 7302.

Affected Public: Individuals or Households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 113,000 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 30 minutes.

Frequency of Response: One time.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 226,000.

By direction of the Secretary.

Cynthia D. Harvey-Pryor,

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