Administration, Office of Unemployment Insurance, Room S–4524, 200 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20210, by email at Williams.Joseph@dol.gov, or by Fax at (202) 693–3975.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: 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 Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for final approval. This program helps to ensure requested data is 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.

I. Background

Title XII Section 1201 of the Social Security Act (SSA) provides for advances to states from the Federal Unemployment Account (FUA). The law further sets out specific requirements to be met by a state requesting an advance:

• The Governor, or designee, must apply for the advance;
• the application must cover a three-month period and the Secretary of Labor (Secretary) must be furnished with estimates of the amounts needed in each month of the three-month period; and
• the application must be made on such forms and shall contain such information and data (fiscal and otherwise) concerning the operation and administration of the state unemployment compensation law as the Secretary deems necessary or relevant to the performance of his or her duties under this title;
• the amount required by any state for the payment of compensation in any month shall be determined with due allowance for contingencies and taking into account all other amounts that will be available in the state’s unemployment fund for the payment of compensation in such month; and
• the term “compensation” means cash benefits payable to individuals with respect to their unemployment exclusive of expenses of administration.

Section 1202(a) of the SSA provides that the Governor of any state may at any time request that funds be transferred from the account of such state to the FUA in repayment of part or all of the balance of advances made to such state under Section 1201. These applications and repayments may be requested by an individual designated for that authority in writing by the Governor. The SSA, Sections 1201 and 1202(a), authorizes this information collection.

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 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.

DOL currently estimates that one state will borrow during Fiscal Year 2018, and that state will continue to borrow during calendar year 2018 and beyond.

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 1205–0199.

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

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: Unemployment Insurance (UI) Title XII Advances and Voluntary Repayment Process.
OMB Control Number: 1205–0199.
Affected Public: State Workforce Agencies.
Estimated Number of Respondents: 1.
Frequency: Varies.
Total Estimated Annual Responses: 3.
Estimate Average Time per Response: 1 hour.
Total Estimated Annual Burden Hours: 3 hours.
Total Estimated Annual Other Cost Burden: $0.
Rosemary Lahasky,
Deputy Assistant Secretary.
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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
Employment and Training Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request; Resource Justification Model (RJM)

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor’s (DOL’s) Employment and Training Administration (ETA) is soliciting comments concerning a proposed extension for the authority to conduct the information collection request (ICR) titled “Resource Justification Model (RJM).” 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 December 3, 2018.

ADDRESSES: A copy of this ICR with applicable supporting documentation; including a description of the likely respondents, proposed frequency of response, and estimated total burden may be obtained free by contacting Miriam Thompson by telephone at (202) 693–3226, TTY 1–877–889–5627 (these are not toll-free numbers), or by email at Thompson.Miriam@dol.gov.

Submit written comments about, or requests for a copy of, this ICR by mail or courier to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Office of Unemployment Insurance, Room S–4520, 200 Constitution Avenue NW,
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: 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 Office of Management and Budget (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.

The collection of actual Unemployment Insurance (UI) administrative cost data from states’ accounting records and projected expenditures for upcoming years is accomplished through the RJM data collection instrument. The data collected consists of program expenditures and hours worked by state staff, broken out by functional activity, for the most recently completed Federal fiscal year. This actual cost data, in combination with projected workloads, is used by ETA’s UI administrative resource allocation model to distribute to states UI program administration funds. This ICR reflects an updated Personal Services/Personnel Benefit—Information Technology worksheet that no longer requires user input, which reduces the ICR estimated burden hours from 5,804 hours to 5,406 hours.

This information collection is authorized by Section 303(a)(6) of the Social Security Act and 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 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 1205–0430.

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

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 with revision.
Title of Collection: Resource Justification Model (RJM).
OMB Control Number: 1205–0430.
Affected Public: State Workforce Agencies.
Estimated Number of Respondents: 53.
Frequency: Annually.
Total Estimated Annual Responses: 159.
Estimated Average Time per Response: 34 hours.
Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 5,406.
Total Estimated Annual Other Cost Burden: $0.
Rosemary Lahasky,
Deputy Assistant Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
Veterans’ Employment and Training Service

Advisory Committee on Veterans’ Employment, Training and Employer Outreach (ACVETEO): Meeting

AGENCY: Veterans’ Employment and Training Service (VETS), Department of Labor (DOL).
ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of a forthcoming meeting of the ACVETEO. The ACVETEO will discuss the DOL core programs and services that assist veterans seeking employment and raise employer awareness as to the advantages of hiring veterans. There will be an opportunity for individuals or organizations to address the committee. Any individual or organization that wishes to do so should contact Mr. Gregory Green at 202–693–4734.

Individuals who will need accommodations for a disability in order to attend the meeting (e.g., interpreting services, assistive listening devices, and/or materials in alternative format) should notify the Advisory Committee no later than Monday, October 22, 2018 by contacting Mr. Gregory Green at 202–693–4734. Requests made after this date will be reviewed, but availability of the requested accommodations cannot be guaranteed. The meeting site is accessible to individuals with disabilities. This Notice also describes the functions of the ACVETEO. Notice of this meeting is required under Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. This document is intended to notify the general public.

DATES: Thursday, November 1, 2018 beginning at 9:00 a.m. and ending at approximately 4:00 p.m. (EDT).

ADDRESSES: The meeting will take place at the U.S. Department of Labor, Frances Perkins Building, 200 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20210, Conference Room N–4437 A & B. Members of the public are encouraged to arrive early to allow for security clearance into the Frances Perkins Building.

Security Instructions: Meeting participants should use the visitor’s entrance to access the Frances Perkins Building, one block north of Constitution Avenue at 3rd and C Streets NW. For security purposes meeting participants must:

1. Present a valid photo ID to receive a visitor’s badge.
2. Know the name of the event being attended: the meeting event is the