DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Office of Justice Programs

[OMB Number 1121—NEW]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed eCollection; eComments Requested; New Collection: Survey of State Attorneys General Offices (SSAGO): Human Trafficking

AGENCY: Bureau of Justice Statistics, Office of Justice Programs, Department of Justice.

ACTION: 30-Day notice.

SUMMARY: Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Statistics, will be submitting the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. This proposed information collection was previously published in the Federal Register on August 6, 2018, allowing for a 60-day comment period. Six comments from the public were received during this period and are thoroughly addressed in the supporting statement for this collection. Briefly, three comments stated support for the survey and three comments requested more information but did not provide any follow-up comments.

DATES: Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for an additional 30 day until November 19, 2018.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have additional comments especially on the estimated public burden or associated response time, suggestions, or need a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions or additional information, please contact Suzanne M. Strong, Statistician, Bureau of Justice Statistics, 810 Seventh Street NW, Washington, DC 20531 (email: Suzanne.M.Strong@usdoj.gov; telephone: 202–616–3666). Written comments and/or suggestions can also be sent to the Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention Department of Justice Desk Officer, Washington, DC 20503 or sent to OIRA_submissions@omb.eop.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information are encouraged. Your comments should address one or more of the following four points:

(1) Type of Information Collection: New collection.
(2) Title of the Form/Collection: Survey of State Attorneys General Offices (SSAGO)—Human Trafficking.
(3) Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department sponsoring the collection: The form number for the questionnaire is SSAGO–2. The applicable component within the Department of Justice is the Bureau of Justice Statistics, in the Office of Justice Programs.

Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract: Respondents will be state attorneys general or deputy attorneys within the state and territory attorneys general offices who work on human trafficking matters. The SSAGO:HT will be conducted for a three (3) month period. The survey collects data on the staffing of state attorneys general offices, including the total number of deputy attorneys general and access to support staff. The survey also collects information on the types and numbers of human trafficking matters referred to the state attorneys general offices, the sources of the referrals of human trafficking matters, the estimates of labor and sex trafficking cases, the types of victims in labor and sex trafficking cases, the types of offenders of labor and sex trafficking cases, the manner in which criminal and civil human trafficking cases were closed in court, and state attorneys general offices’ participation in state and federal human trafficking task forces. BJS plans to publish this information in reports and reference it when responding to queries from the U.S. Congress, Executive Office.
of the President, the U.S. Supreme Court, state officials, international organizations, researchers, students, the media, and others interested in criminal justice statistics.

(4) An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond/reply: An agency-level survey will be sent to the 56 state and territory attorneys general offices. The expected burden placed on these respondents is 25 minutes to complete the survey, with an additional 5 minutes to locate any additional persons necessary to complete the survey.

(6) An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection: There are an estimated 28 total burden hours associated with this collection.

If additional information is required contact: Melody Braswell, Department Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice, Justice Management Division, Policy and Planning Staff, Two Constitution Square, 145 N Street NE, Suite 3E.405B, Washington, DC 20530.


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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs

Leadership in Equal Access and Diversity Award; New Information Collection Requirements; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor (DOL), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a pre-clearance consultation program to provide the general public and federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The program helps to ensure that 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 on respondents can be properly assessed. Currently, the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs (OFCCP) is soliciting comments concerning its proposal to obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to implement the Leadership in Equal Access and Diversity (LEAD) award. OFCCP will be sharing the information with DOL’s Women’s Bureau for the purpose of partnering with them in support of the award. A copy of the proposed information collection request can be obtained by contacting the office listed below in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section of this Notice or by accessing it at www.regulations.gov.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the addresses section below on or before December 18, 2018.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

Electronic comments: The federal eRulemaking portal at www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions found on that website for submitting comments.


Instructions: Please submit one copy of your comments by only one method. For faster submission, we encourage commenters to transmit their comment electronically via the www.regulations.gov website. Comments that are mailed to the address provided above must be postmarked before the close of the comment period. All submissions must include OFCCP’s name for identification. Comments submitted in response to the notice, including any personal information provided, become a matter of public record and will be posted on www.regulations.gov. Comments will also be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of the information collection request.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Harvey D. Fort, Acting Director, Division of Policy and Program Development, Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Room C–3325, 200 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20210, Telephone: (202) 693–0103 (voice) or (202) 693–1337 (TTY) (these are not toll-free numbers). Copies of this notice may be obtained in alternative formats (large print, braille, audio recording) upon request by calling the numbers listed above.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

OFCCP administers and enforces the three nondiscrimination and equal employment opportunity laws listed below:

- Executive Order 11246, as amended (E.O. 11246)
- Section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (Section 503)
- Vietnam Era Veterans’ Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974, as amended (VEVRAA)

These authorities prohibit employment discrimination by covered federal contractors and subcontractors and require that they provide equal employment opportunities regardless of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability, or status as a protected veteran. Additionally, federal contractors and subcontractors are prohibited from discriminating against applicants and employees for asking about, discussing, or sharing information about their pay or the pay of their co-workers. E.O. 11246 applies to federal contractors and subcontractors and to federally assisted construction contractors holding a Government contract in excess of $10,000, or Government contracts that have, or can reasonably be expected to have, an aggregate total value exceeding $10,000 in a 12-month period. E.O. 11246 also applies to government bills of lading, depositories of federal funds in any amount, and to financial institutions that are issuing and paying agents for U.S. Savings Bonds. Section 503 prohibits employment discrimination against applicants and employees because of physical or mental disability and requires affirmative action to ensure that persons are treated without regard to disability. Section 503 applies to federal contractors and subcontractors with contracts in excess of $15,000. VEVRAA prohibits employment discrimination against protected veterans and requires affirmative action to ensure that persons are treated without regard to their status as a protected veteran. VEVRAA applies to federal contractors and subcontractors with contracts of $150,000 or more. This collection will implement the LEAD award that will recognize federal contractor and subcontractor establishments that have developed and successfully implemented comprehensive equal employment opportunity and nondiscrimination programs.