

Desired Focus of Comments: The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) 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 using appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, *e.g.*, by permitting electronic submissions of responses.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the ICR for OMB approval of the extension of the information collection; they will also become a matter of public record.

Approved: May 21, 2018.

R. Joseph Durbala,
IRS Tax Analyst.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Proposed Extension of Information Collection Request Submitted for Public Comment; Form 8508, Request for Waiver From Filing Information Returns Electronically

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Internal Revenue Service, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning Form 8508, Request for Waiver from Filing Information Returns Electronically.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before July 30, 2018 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Roberto Mora-Figueroa, Internal Revenue Service, Room 6129, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20224. Requests for additional information or copies of the regulations should be directed to R. Joseph Durbala, at Internal Revenue Service, Room 6129, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20224, or through the internet, at RJoseph.Durbala@irs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Returns Required on Magnetic Media.

OMB Number: 1545-0957.

Regulation Project Number: Form 8508.

Abstract: Section 6011(e)(2)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended by Section 7713 of the Revenue Reconciliation Act of 1989, Public Law 101 239 (1989), 103 Stat. 2106, requires certain filers of information returns to report these on magnetic media. Filers who seek relief from this requirement can use Form 8508 to request a waiver for a specific time. After evaluating the request, IRS will notify the taxpayer as to whether the request is approved or denied.

Current Actions: There is no change to the burden previously approved.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations, farms, Federal government, and State, local or tribal governments, and Not-for-Profit Organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,000.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 15 min.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 750.

The following paragraph applies to all the collections of information covered by this notice:

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a collection of information must be retained if their contents may become material in the administration of any internal revenue law. Generally, tax returns and tax return information are confidential, as required by 26 U.S.C. 6103.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Proposed Extension of Information Collection Request Submitted for Public Comment; Section 103-Remedial Payment Closing Agreement Program

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Internal Revenue Service, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning Revenue Procedure 97-15, section 103-Remedial Payment Closing Agreement Program.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before July 30, 2018 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Roberto Mora-Figueroa, Internal Revenue Service, Room 6129, 1111

Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20224. Requests for additional information or copies of the regulations should be directed to R. Joseph Durbala, at Internal Revenue Service, Room 6129, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington DC 20224, or through the internet, at RJoseph.Durbala@irs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Section 103-Remedial Payment Closing Agreement Program.
OMB Number: 1545-1528.
Regulation Project Number: Rev. Proc. 1997-15.

Abstract: This information is required by the Internal Revenue Service to verify compliance with sections 57, 103, 144, 142, 144, 145, and 147 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as applicable (including any corresponding provision, if any, of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954). This information will be used by the Service to enter into a closing agreement with the issuer of certain state or local bonds to establish the closing agreement amount.

Current Actions: There is no change to the burden previously approved.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: State, local or tribal government, and not-for-profit institutions.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 50.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 1 hour 30 mins.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 75.

The following paragraph applies to all the collections of information covered by this notice:

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Advisory Committee Charter Renewals

AGENCY: Department of Veterans Affairs.
ACTION: Notice of Advisory Committee Charter Renewals.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee ACT (FACA) and after consultation with the General Services Administration, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs has determined that the following Federal advisory committee is vital to the mission of the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) and renewing its charter would be in the public interest. Consequently, the charter for the following Federal advisory committee is renewed for a two-year period, beginning on the dates listed below:

Committee name	Committee description	Charter renewed on
VA National Academic Affiliations	Provides advice regarding partnerships between VA and its academic affiliates.	April 10, 2018.
Veterans' Rural Health Advisory Committee	Provides advice on health care issues affecting enrolled Veterans residing in rural areas.	May 21, 2018.

The Secretary also determined that the following Federal advisory committee is vital to VA and reestablished its charter:

Committee name	Committee description	Charter renewed on
Genomic Medicine Program Advisory Committee	Provides advice on the scientific and ethical issues related to the establishment, development, and operation of a genomic medicine program within VA.	May 9, 2018.

The Secretary has also renewed the charter for the following statutorily authorized Federal advisory committee for a two-year period, beginning on the date listed below: