DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Bureau of Justice Assistance

[OMB Number 1121-0197]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed eCollection eComments Requested;

Extension of currently approved collection

AGENCY: Office of Justice Programs, Department of Justice.

ACTION: 30 Day Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, is 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.

DATES: The Department of Justice encourages public comment and will accept input until [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]

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 Michelle Martin, Senior Management Analyst, Bureau of Justice Assistance, 810 Seventh Street NW, Washington, DC  20531 (phone: 202 514-9354). 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:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Bureau of Justice Assistance, 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;
- Evaluate whether and if so how the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected can be enhanced; 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.

OVERVIEW OF THIS INFORMATION COLLECTION:

1. Type of Information Collection: Extension of currently approved collection
2. The Title of the Form/Collection: State Criminal Alien Assistance Program
3. The agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department sponsoring the collection: Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, United States Department of Justice
4. Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:
Primary: States and local units of general government including the 50 state
governments, the District of Columbia, Guam, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and
the more than 3,000 counties and cities with correctional facilities.

Other: None.

Section 130002(b) as amended in 1996, BJA administers the State Criminal Alien
Assistance Program (SCAAP) with the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement
(ICE), and the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). SCAAP provides federal
payments to States and localities that incurred correctional officer salary costs for
incarcerating undocumented criminal aliens with at least one felony or two
misdemeanor convictions for violations of state or local law, and who are incarcerated
for at least 4 consecutive days during the designated reporting period and for the
following correctional purposes;

Salaries for corrections officers
Overtime costs
Performance based bonuses
Corrections work force recruitment and retention
Construction of corrections facilities
Training / education for offenders
Training for corrections officers related to offender population management
Consultants involved with offender population
Medical and mental health services
Vehicle rental / purchase for transport of offenders
Prison Industries
Pre-release / reentry programs
Technology involving offender management / inter agency information sharing
Disaster preparedness continuity of operations for corrections facilities

5. An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond: It is estimated that no more than 800 respondents will apply. Each application takes approximately 120 minutes to complete and is submitted once per year (annually).

6. An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:
   
The total hour burden to complete the applications is 1600 hours.
   
   \[800 \times 120 \text{ minutes} = 96,000/60 \text{ minutes per hour} = 1600 \text{ burden hours}\]

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, 3E.405A, Washington, DC 20530.


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