DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0178]

Agency Information Collection Activity: Monthly Certification of On-The-Job and Apprenticeship Training

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Veterans Benefits Administration, 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 revision 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 [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at www.Regulations.gov or Danny S Green, VA Clearance Officer, Office of Quality, Performance and Risk, Veterans Benefit Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420 or e-mail to Danny.Green2@va.gov Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-
0178” in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through FDMS.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Danny S. Green at (202) 421-1354.

**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:** 38 U.S.C. 3680(c).

**Title:** Monthly Certification of On-The-Job and Apprenticeship Training, VA Form 22-6553d and VA Form 22-6553d-1.

**OMB Control Number:** 2900-0178.

**Type of Review:** Revision of a currently approved collection.
Abstract: Schools and training establishments complete the form to report whether the trainee’s number of hours worked and/or to report the trainee’s date of termination. VA Form 22-6553d-1 is an identical printed copy of VA Form 22-6553d. VA Form 22-6553d-1 is used when the computer-generated version of VA Form 22-6553d is not available. VA uses the data collected to process a trainee’s educational benefit claim.

Affected Public: Private Sector

Estimated Annual Burden: 5,693 hours

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 10 minutes

Frequency of Response: On occasion (9 responses per respondent annually)

Estimated Number of Respondents: 3,795 (34,155 responses)

By direction of the Secretary:

Danny S. Green,

VA Clearance Officer,

Office of Quality, Performance and Risk,

Department of Veterans Affairs.

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