DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Agency Information Collection Activities; IDEIA Part B and C Child Count

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of information collection; request for comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we, the Bureau of Indian Education (BIE) are proposing to renew an information collection.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Send your comments on this information collection request (ICR) by email to Paulina Bell at paulina.bell@bie.edu. Please reference OMB Control Number 1076-0176 in the subject line of your comments. If you have comments but are unable to email them, please contact the person listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section of this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request additional information about this ICR, contact Eugene Thompson by email at Eugene.thompson@bie.edu, or by telephone at 202-860-5812.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we provide the general public and other Federal agencies with an
opportunity to comment on new, proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public’s reporting burden. It also helps the public understand our information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format.

We are soliciting comments on the proposed ICR that is described below. We are especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) is the collection necessary to the proper functions of the BIE; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the BIE enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the BIE minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of public record. We will include or summarize each comment in our request to OMB to approve this ICR. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment - including your personal identifying information - may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Abstract: Indian Tribes and Tribal organizations served by elementary or secondary schools for Indian children operated or funded by the Departments of the Interior that receive allocations of funding under the IDEIA for the coordination of assistance for Indian children 0 to 5 years of age with disabilities on reservations must submit information to the BIE. The information must be provided on two forms. The
Part B form addresses Indian children 3 to 5 years of age on reservations served by Bureau-funded schools. The Part C form addresses Indian children up to 3 years of age on reservations served by Bureau-funded schools. The information required by the forms includes counts of children as of a certain date each year.

*Title of Collection:* IDEIA Part B and Part C Child Count.

*ZOMB Control Number:* 1076-0176.

*Form Number:* N/A.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Respondents/Affected Public:* Indian Tribes and Tribal organizations.

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Respondents:* 61.

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses:* 122.

*Estimated Completion Time per Response:* 20 hours per form.

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours:* 2,440 hours.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Required to Obtain a Benefit.

*Frequency of Collection:* Twice (Once per year for each form).

*Total Estimated Annual Nonhour Burden Cost:* $0.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

The authority for this action is the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq).

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