

III. Definitions

Under Section 6(c) of EO 13126:
“Forced or indentured child labor”
means all work or service—

(1) Exacted from any person under the age of 18 under the menace of any penalty for its nonperformance and for which the worker does not offer himself voluntarily; or

(2) Performed by any person under the age of 18 pursuant to a contract the enforcement of which can be accomplished by process or penalties.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 17th day of September, 2012.

Carol Pier,

Acting Deputy Undersecretary for International Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employee Benefits Security Administration

164th Meeting of the Advisory Council on Employee Welfare and Pension Benefit Plans; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to the authority contained in Section 512 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), 29 U.S.C. 1142, the 164th open meeting of the Advisory Council on Employee Welfare and Pension Benefit Plans (also known as the ERISA Advisory Council) will be held on October 30–31, 2012.

The meeting will take place in C5521 Room 4, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20210 on October 30, from 1 p.m. to approximately 5 p.m. On October 31, the meeting will start at 8:30 a.m. and conclude at approximately 4 p.m., with a break for lunch. The morning session on October 31 will be in C5521 Room 1. The afternoon session on October 31 will take place in Room S–2508 at the same address. The purpose of the open meeting on October 30 and the morning of October 31 is for the Advisory Council members to finalize the recommendations they will present to the Secretary. At the October 31 afternoon session, the Council members will receive an update from the Assistant Secretary of Labor for the Employee Benefits Security Administration (EBSA) and present their recommendations.

The Council recommendations will be on the following issues: (1) Current Challenges and Best Practices Concerning Beneficiary Designations in Retirement and Life Insurance Plans; (2) Examining Income Replacement During Retirement Years in a Defined

Contribution Plan System; and (3) Managing Disability Risks in an Environment of Individual Responsibility. Descriptions of these topics are available on the Advisory Council page of the EBSA Web site at http://www.dol.gov/ebsa/aboutebsa/erisa_advisory_council.html.

Organizations or members of the public wishing to submit a written statement may do so by submitting 30 copies on or before October 22, 2012 to Larry Good, Executive Secretary, ERISA Advisory Council, U.S. Department of Labor, Suite N–5623, 200 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20210. Statements also may be submitted as email attachments in text or pdf format transmitted to good.larry@dol.gov. It is requested that statements not be included in the body of an email. Statements deemed relevant by the Advisory Council and received on or before October 22 will be included in the record of the meeting and made available in the EBSA Public Disclosure Room. Do not include any personally identifiable information (such as name, address, or other contact information) or confidential business information that you do not want publicly disclosed.

Individuals or representatives of organizations wishing to address the Advisory Council should forward their requests to the Executive Secretary or telephone (202) 693–8668. Oral presentations will be limited to ten minutes, time permitting, but an extended statement may be submitted for the record. Individuals with disabilities who need special accommodations should contact the Executive Secretary by October 22, 2012 at the address indicated.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 20th day of September 2012.

Michael L. Davis,

Deputy Assistant Secretary, Employee Benefits Security Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

Comment Request for Information Collection; Pell Grants and the Payment of Unemployment Benefits to Individuals in Approved Training; Extension Without Change

AGENCY: Employment and Training Administration (ETA), Labor.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor (Department), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a preclearance 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 [44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)]. This 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, ETA is soliciting comments on the renewal of the information collection required for state notification to individuals about the opportunity for Pell Grants and the payment of unemployment benefits to individuals in approved training.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the addressee's section below on or before November 26, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments to Scott Gibbons, Office of Unemployment Insurance, Employment and Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20210. Telephone number: 202–693–3008 (this is not a toll-free number). Individuals with hearing or speech impairments may access the telephone number above via TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Information Relay Service at 1–877–889–5627 (TTY/TDD). Email: gibbons.scott@dol.gov. A copy of the proposed information collection request (ICR) can be obtained by contacting Mr. Gibbons.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

To enable more individuals to obtain job training while receiving unemployment benefits so they can develop their skills while the economy recovers, states are strongly encouraged to widen their definitions of the types of training and the conditions under which education or training are considered “approved training” for purposes of the state’s UI law.

States are also encouraged to notify unemployed individuals of their potential eligibility for Pell Grants and to assist individuals with applications. Pell Grants are awarded based on financial need and other factors. Many Unemployment Insurance (UI) beneficiaries are potentially eligible for

Pell Grants, and the Department of Education is currently undertaking a major effort to encourage student financial aid administrators to use the discretion available to them in determining if UI beneficiaries are eligible for Pell Grants. Through information dissemination, the Department is encouraging state UI agencies to notify UI beneficiaries that they may qualify for Pell Grants and to give them information about how to apply. States are strongly encouraged to determine if their approved training requirements are appropriate to the current economy. Post-secondary education and training are increasingly important for success in the job market. Periods of unemployment, particularly in the current economic climate, provide opportunities for laid-off workers to develop new skills, so that employers will benefit from a skilled workforce when the economy recovers. In particular, states are asked to consider approval of courses at community colleges with significant job skills components, courses leading to general equivalency degrees, courses in adult basic education, language courses, or other courses of study, including degree and certificate courses that are likely to increase the individual's long-term employability.

II. Review Focus

The Department is particularly interested in comments which:

- 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 through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

III. Current Actions

Type of Review: Extension without changes

Title: Pell Grants and the Payment of Unemployment Benefits to Individuals in Approved Training

OMB Number: 1205-0473

Affected Public: State Workforce Agencies.

Total Respondents: 53

Frequency of Collection: Once per year

Total Responses: 53

Average Time per Respondent: 40 hours

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 2120

Total Annual Costs Burden: \$0

Comments submitted in response to this comment request will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: Signed in Washington, DC, this 20th day of September, 2012.

Jane Oates,

Assistant Secretary for Employment and Training, Labor.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Veterans' Employment and Training Service

Agency Information Collection Activities; Continued Collection; Comment Request: Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment Tracking Report; Jobs for Veterans State Grant Budget Information Summary; Jobs for Veterans State Grant Expenditure Detail Report; Jobs for Veterans State Grant Staffing Directory; Extension Without Revisions

AGENCY: Veterans' Employment and Training Service, U.S. Department of Labor.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Veterans' Employment and Training Service (VETS) 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 and to allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on five (5) separate collections of information: (1) VETS 201 entitled "Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (Chapter 31) Tracking Report" and identified by VETS ICR No. 1293-0009 and OMB Control No. 1293-0009; (2) VETS 401 entitled "Jobs for Veterans State Grant Budget Information Summary" and identified by VETS ICR

No. 1293-0009 and OMB Control No. 1293-0009; (3) VETS 402A/B entitled "Jobs for Veterans State Grant Expenditure Detail Report" and identified by VETS ICR No. 1293-0009 and OMB Control No. 1293-0009; and (4) VETS 501 entitled "Jobs for Veterans State Grant Staffing Directory" and identified by VETS ICR No. 1293-0009 and OMB Control No. 1293-0009. The information collection contained in this notice is an extension without revision. VETS is soliciting comments on the continuation of the approved information collections.

DATES: Submit written or electronic comments on the collection of information by November 26, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments on this collection of information by any of the following methods:

- *By mail to:* Joel H. Delofsky, Office of National Programs, U.S. Department of Labor, VETS, 230 South Dearborn, Suite 1064, Chicago, Illinois 60604-1777.
- *Electronically to:* delofsky.joel@dol.gov.
- *By fax to:* (312) 353-4943 (not a toll free number).

All comments should be identified with the OMB Control Number 1293-0009. Written comments should be limited to 10 pages or fewer. Receipt of comments will not be acknowledged but the sender may request confirmation that a submission has been received by telephoning VETS at (312) 353-4942 or via fax at (312) 353-4943.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Joel H. Delofsky, Office of National Programs, U.S. Department of Labor, VETS, 230 South Dearborn, Suite 1064, Chicago, Illinois 60604-1777, by email at delofsky.joel@dol.gov or by phone at (312) 353-4942. Copies of the proposed data collection instruments can be obtained from the contact listed above.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. With respect to the continuation of the approved collection of information, VETS is particularly interested in comments on these topics:

(1) Whether the continued collection of information is necessary for the proper performance and oversight of the Jobs for Veterans State Grant, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) The accuracy of the VETS' 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