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Issued in Washington, DC.

**K. Jane Williams,**

*Deputy Administrator.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Internal Revenue Service

#### Proposed Collection; Form 15227

**AGENCY:** Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice; supplement.

**SUMMARY:** The IRS published a document in the **Federal Register** on September 8, 2020, concerning requests for comments on Form 15227. This form does not require an Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number, further public comments are not being solicited.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information should be directed to Martha R. Brinson, at (202) 317-5753, or at Internal Revenue Service, Room 6526, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20224, or through the internet at [Martha.R.Brinson@irs.gov](mailto:Martha.R.Brinson@irs.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The IRS published a document at 85 FR 55579 in the **Federal Register** of September 8, 2020, concerning requests for comments on Form 15227. Under 5 CFR 1320.3(h)(1), the form does not require an OMB control number, further public comments are not being solicited.

Approved: December 16, 2020.

**Chakinna B. Clemons,**

*Supervisory Tax Analyst.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Internal Revenue Service Request for the Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan

**AGENCY:** Departmental Offices, Department of the Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Treasury will submit the following information collection requests to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, on or after the date of publication of this notice. The public is invited to submit comments on these requests.

**DATES:** Comments should be received on or before February 5, 2021 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain). Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Copies of the submissions may be obtained from Molly Stasko by emailing [PRA@treasury.gov](mailto:PRA@treasury.gov), calling (202) 622-8922, or viewing the entire information collection request at [www.reginfo.gov](http://www.reginfo.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Internal Revenue Service (IRS)

*Title:* Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan.

*OMB Control Number:* 1545-1610.

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

*Description:* The Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan is an annual information return filed by employee benefit plans. The IRS uses this information for a variety of matters, including ascertainment whether a qualified retirement plan appears to conform to requirements under the Internal Revenue Code or whether the plan should be audited for compliance. Form 5500-EZ (OMB Number: 1545-0956) is an annual return filed by a one participant (owners/partners and their spouses) retirement plan or a foreign plan to satisfy certain annual reporting and filing requirements imposed by the Internal Revenue Code (Code). The IRS uses this data to determine if the plan appears to be operating properly as

required under the Code or whether the plan should be audited. The revisions to the collection are: not releasing Form 5500-SUP; adding a checkbox to Form 5500, 5500-SF, and Form 5500-EZ for an initial plan retroactively adopted as permitted by SECURE Act section 201; and adding checkboxes for an extension of time to Form 5500-EZ.

*Form:* 5500 and Schedules.

*Affected Public:* Businesses or other for-profit organization, Individuals and Households, and Not-for-profit institutions.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 929,000.

*Frequency of Response:* Annually.

*Estimated Total Number of Annual Responses:* 929,000.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 934,830 hours.

*Authority:* 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*

Dated: December 31, 2020.

**Molly Stasko,**

*Treasury PRA Clearance Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

### Joint Biomedical Laboratory Research and Development and Clinical Science Research and Development Services Scientific Merit Review Board, Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App.2, that a meeting of the Joint Biomedical Laboratory Research and Development and Clinical Science Research and Development Services Scientific Merit Review Board (JBL/CS SMRB) will be held Wednesday, January 21, 2021, via WebEx. The meeting will begin at 3:00 p.m. and end at 5:00 p.m. Eastern daylight time. The meeting will have an open session from 3:00 p.m. until 3:30 p.m. and a closed session from 3:30 p.m. until 5:00 p.m.

The JBL/CS provides expert review of the scientific quality, budget, safety and mission-relevance of investigator-initiated research applications submitted for VA merit review consideration and to offer advice for research program officials on program priorities and policies.

The purpose of the open session is to meet with the JBL/CS Service Directors to discuss the overall policies and process for scientific review, as well as disseminate information among the Board members regarding the VA research priorities.