

Frequency of Response: On occasion.
Estimated Total Reporting Burden:
1,130 hours.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0156]

Proposed Information Collection Activity: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits
Administration, Department of Veterans
Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Veterans Benefits
Administration (VBA), 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
extension of a currently approved
collection and allow 60 days for public
comment in response to the notice. This
notice solicits comments for information
needed to report changes in a student
enrollment status.

DATES: Written comments and
recommendations on the proposed
collection of information should be
received on or before February 3, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments
on the collection of information to
Nancy J. Kessinger, Veterans Benefits
Administration (20S52), Department of
Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue,
NW., Washington, DC 20420 or e-mail:
irmnkess@vba.va.gov. Please refer to
"OMB Control No. 2900-0156" in any
correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Nancy J. Kessinger at (202) 273-7079 or
FAX (202) 275-5947.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the
PRA of 1995 (Public Law 104-13; 44

U.S.C., 3501-3520), 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.

Title: Notice of Change in Student
Status (Under Chapter 30, 32, or 35,
Title 38, U.S.C.; Chapter 1606, Title 10,
U.S.C. or section 901 or 903 of Pub. L.
96-342), VA Form 22-1999b.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0156.

Type of Review: Extension of a
currently approved collection.

Abstract: VA Form 22-1999b is used
by educational institutions to report
changes in the enrollment of students in
receipt of VA education benefits. The
information is used to determine a
student's entitlement to educational
benefits or whether the benefit should
be increased, decreased, or terminated.
Without this information, VA might
underpay or overpay benefits.

Affected Public: State, local or tribal
government, business or other for-profit,
and not-for-profit institutions.

Estimated Annual Burden: 24,750
hours. VA Form 22-1999b—13,750. VA
Form 22-1999b Electronically Filed—
11,000.

*Estimated Average Burden Per
Respondent:* VA Form 22-1999b—5
minutes. VA Form 22-1999b
Electronically Filed—4 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.
Estimated Number of Respondents:
9,817.

Number of Responses Annually:
330,000. VA Form 22-1999b—165,000.
VA Form 22-1999b Electronically
Filed—165,000.

Dated: November 22, 2002.

By direction of the Secretary.

Ernesto Castro,

Director, Records Management Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0353]

Proposed Information Collection Activity: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits
Administration, Department of Veterans
Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Veterans Benefits
Administration (VBA), 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
extension of a currently approved
collection and allow 60 days for public
comment in response to the notice. This
notice solicits comments for information
needed to determine the number of
lessons completed by a student and
served by the correspondence school.

DATES: Written comments and
recommendations on the proposed
collection of information should be
received on or before February 3, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments
on the collection of information to
Nancy J. Kessinger, Veterans Benefits
Administration (20S52), Department of
Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue,
NW., Washington, DC 20420 or e-mail:
irmnkess@vba.va.gov. Please refer to
"OMB Control No. 2900-0353" in any
correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Nancy J. Kessinger at (202) 273-7079 or
FAX (202) 275-5947.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the
PRA of 1995 (Public Law 104-13; 44
U.S.C., 3501-3520), 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.

Title: Certification of Lessons Completed, VA Forms 22-6553b and 22-6553b-1.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0353.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: VA Forms 22-6553b and 22-6553b-1 are used to determine the number of lessons completed by a student and serviced by the correspondence school, and if necessary to determine the date of completion or termination of correspondence training. VA pays education benefits based on the information furnished on the form. Benefits are not payable when training is interrupted, discontinued or completed. Without this information, VA would be unable to determine the proper payment or the student's training status.

Affected Public: Individuals or households, Business or other for-profit.

Estimated Annual Burden: 1,782 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 10 minutes.

Frequency of Response: Quarterly.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 3,564.

Number of Responses Annually: 10,692

Dated: November 22, 2002.

By direction of the Secretary.

Ernesto Castro,

Director, Records Management Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0005]

Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C., 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs, has submitted the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the

nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden; it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before January 2, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Denise McLamb, Records Management Service (005E3), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420, (202) 273-8030, FAX (202) 273-5981 or e-mail: denise.mclamb@mail.va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0005."

Send comments and recommendations concerning any aspect of the information collection to VA's OMB Desk Officer, OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 (202) 395-7316. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0005" in any correspondence.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Title:

Application for Dependency and Indemnity Compensation by Parent(s), (Including Accrued Benefits and Death Compensation, When Applicable), VA Form 21-535.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0005.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: VA Form 21-535 is used by surviving parent or parents of a deceased veteran to apply for benefits. Dependency and Indemnity Compensation may be payable when the veteran dies (a) From disease or injury incurred or aggravated in line of duty while on active duty or active duty for training, (b) from injury incurred or aggravated in line of duty while on inactive duty training, or (c) from disability compensable under laws administered by VA. VA uses the information to determine a parent's eligibility, dependency and income, as applicable, for the death benefits.

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 **Federal Register** notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on August 14, 2002, at page 53045.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 25,056.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 1 hour 12 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 20,880.

Dated: November 22, 2002.

By direction of the Secretary.

Ernesto Castro,

Director, Records Management Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0171]

Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C., 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs, has submitted the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden; it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before January 2, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Denise McLamb, Records Management Service (005E3), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420, (202) 273-8030, FAX (202) 273-5981 or e-mail: denise.mclamb@mail.va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0171."

Send comments and recommendations concerning any aspect of the information collection to VA's OMB Desk Officer, OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 (202) 395-7316. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0171" in any correspondence.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Title:

Application and Enrollment Certification for Individualized Tutorial Assistance (38 U.S.C. Chapters 30, 32, or 35 and 10 U.S.C. Chapter 1606), VA Form 22-1990t.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0171.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: This form is used by students who are receiving VA educational assistance and who require tutoring to overcome a deficiency in one or more courses. The information submitted by the student must be certified by the tutor, and the certifying official of the educational institution that the student is attending.