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**Alberta Mills,**

*Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission.*

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## CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

[Docket No. CPSC-2012-0030]

### Proposed Extension of Approval of Information Collection; Comment Request—Testing and Recordkeeping Requirements for Carpets and Rugs

**AGENCY:** Consumer Product Safety Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) requests comments on a proposed extension of approval of information collection requirements for manufacturers and importers of carpets and rugs under the Standard for the Surface Flammability of Carpets and Rugs and the Standard for the Surface Flammability of Small Carpets and Rugs. The CPSC will consider all comments received in response to this notice before requesting an extension of this collection of information from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

**DATES:** Submit written or electronic comments on the collection of information by February 8, 2022.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by Docket No. CPSC-2012-0030, by any of the following methods:

*Electronic Submissions:* Submit electronic comments to the Federal eRulemaking Portal at: <https://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments. CPSC does not accept comments submitted by electronic mail (email), except through <https://www.regulations.gov> and as described below. CPSC encourages you to submit electronic comments by using the Federal eRulemaking Portal, as described above.

*Mail/hand delivery/courier Written Submissions:* Submit comments by mail/hand delivery/courier to: Division of the Secretariat, Consumer Product Safety Commission, 4330 East-West Highway, Bethesda, MD 20814; telephone: (301) 504-7479. Alternatively, as a temporary option during the COVID-19 pandemic, you may email such submissions to: [cpsc-os@cpsc.gov](mailto:cpsc-os@cpsc.gov).

*Instructions:* All submissions must include the agency name and docket number for this notice. CPSC may post all comments received without change, including any personal identifiers, contact information, or other personal information provided, to: <https://www.regulations.gov>. Do not submit electronically: Confidential business information, trade secret information, or other sensitive or protected information that you do not want to be available to the public. If you wish to submit such information, please submit it according to the instructions for mail/hand delivery/courier written submissions.

*Docket:* For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to: <https://www.regulations.gov>, insert Docket No. CPSC-2012-0030 into the "Search" box, and follow the prompts.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Cynthia Gillham, Consumer Product Safety Commission, 4330 East-West Highway, Bethesda, MD 20814; (301) 504-7991, or by email to: [cgillham@cpsc.gov](mailto:cgillham@cpsc.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** CPSC seeks to renew the following currently approved collection of information:

*Title:* Safety Standard for the Flammability of Carpets and Rugs and Standard for the Flammability of Small Carpets and Rugs.

*OMB Number:* 3041-0017.

*Type of Review:* Renewal of collection.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion.

*Affected Public:* Manufacturers and importers of carpets and rugs.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* Approximately 120 firms are subject to the information collection requirements under the FFA. An estimated 100 firms issue a general conformity certificate (GCC) or a children's product certificate (CPC). In addition, an estimated 20 firms elect to issue a guaranty of compliance with the FFA. Staff estimates that the average firm issuing a GCC, CPC, or guaranty under the FFA is

required to conduct, on average, 100 tests per year, although the actual number of tests required by a given firm may vary, depending upon the number of carpet styles and the annual production volume.

*Estimated Time per Response:* For firms issuing a GCC or CPC, staff estimates that the time to conduct each test is 2 hours, including the time required to establish and maintain the test records. For firms issuing a guaranty of compliance, staff estimates that the time to conduct each test is 2.5 hours, including the time required to establish and maintain the test records.

*Total Estimated Annual Burden:* Staff estimates the total annualized burden to respondents to be 25,000 hours (20,000 hours for firms that issue a GCC/CPC plus 5,000 hours for firms that issue a guaranty of compliance).

*Total Estimated Annual Cost to Respondents:* The total annualized costs to all respondents for the hour burden for collection of information is estimated to be as high as \$1,557,750 using a mean hourly employer cost-per-hour-worked of \$62.31 (Bureau of Labor Statistics: Total compensation rates for management, professional, and related occupations, June 2021) (25,000 hours × \$62.31).

*General Description of Collection:* The Standard for the Surface Flammability of Carpets and Rugs (16 CFR part 1630) and the Standard for the Surface Flammability of Small Carpets and Rugs (16 CFR part 1631) establish requirements to reduce the flammability of carpets and rugs. The standards' provisions include requirements for testing and recordkeeping for manufacturers and importers who furnish guaranties subject to the carpet and rug flammability standards. Separate from the guaranties, the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008 (CPSIA) established product certification requirements for applicable consumer product safety standards and rules. 15 U.S.C. 2063. Manufacturers and importers of carpets and rugs intended for general use must certify in a GCC that the product complies with the applicable standards based on testing or a reasonable testing program. Manufacturers and importers of children's carpets and rugs must certify in a CPC that the product complies with the applicable standards based on testing by a CPSC accredited third-party conformity assessment body.

#### Request for Comments

The CPSC solicits written comments from all interested persons about the proposed collection of information. The

CPSC specifically solicits information relevant to the following topics:

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[Docket No.: ED-2021-SCC-0138]

### **Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Student Assistance General Provisions—Readmission for Servicemembers**

**AGENCY:** Federal Student Aid (FSA), Department of Education (ED).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, ED is proposing an extension without change of a currently approved collection.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before January 10, 2022.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and recommendations for proposed information collection requests 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 information collection request by selecting "Department of Education" under "Currently Under Review," then check "Only Show ICR for Public Comment" checkbox. Comments may also be sent to [ICDocketmgr@ed.gov](mailto:ICDocketmgr@ed.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact Beth Grebeldinger, (202) 377-4018.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department of Education (ED), in accordance with the Paperwork

Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), provides the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps the Department assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand the Department's information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format. ED is soliciting comments on the proposed information collection request (ICR) that is described below. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

*Title of Collection:* Student Assistance General Provisions—Readmission for Servicemembers.

*OMB Control Number:* 1845-0095.

*Type of Review:* Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

*Respondents/Affected Public:* Individual or Households; Private Sector; State, Local, and Tribal Governments.

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses:* 4,570.

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours:* 1,531.

*Abstract:* The Department of Education (the Department) is requesting an extension without change of the current record keeping information collection. Due to the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic the Department lacks sufficient data to allow for more accurate updates to the usage of the form. There has been no change in either the statute as provided by the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (HEA) or in the regulations. The regulations identify the requirements under which an institution must readmit servicemembers with the same academic status they held at the institution when they last attended (or were accepted for attendance). The regulations require institutions to charge readmitted servicemembers, for the first

academic year of their return, the same institutional charges they were charged for the academic year during which they left the institution (see section 484C of the HEA).

Dated: December 6, 2021.

**Kate Mullan,**

*PRA Coordinator, Strategic Collections and Clearance, Governance and Strategy Division, Office of Chief Data Officer, Office of Planning, Evaluation and Policy Development.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### **Applications for New Awards; Research Networks Focused on Critical Problems of Education Policy and Practice, and Improving Pandemic Recovery Efforts in Education Agencies**

**AGENCY:** Institute of Education Sciences, Department of Education.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Education (Department) is issuing a notice inviting applications for new awards for fiscal year (FY) 2022 for the Research Networks Focused on Critical Problems of Education Policy and Practice, and the Improving Pandemic Recovery Efforts in Education Agencies, Assistance Listing Numbers 84.305N and 84.305X. This notice relates to the approved information collection under OMB control number 4040-0001.

#### **DATES:**

*Applications Available:* December 16, 2021.

*Deadline for Transmittal of Applications:* March 10, 2022.

**ADDRESSES:** For the addresses for obtaining and submitting an application, please refer to our Common Instructions for Applicants to Department of Education Discretionary Grant Programs, published in the **Federal Register** on February 13, 2019 (84 FR 3768) and available at [www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2019-02-13/pdf/2019-02206.pdf](http://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2019-02-13/pdf/2019-02206.pdf).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For the Research Networks Focused on Critical Problems of Education Policy and Practice competition (84.305N): Erin Higgins. Telephone: (202) 706-8509. Email: [Erin.Higgins@ed.gov](mailto:Erin.Higgins@ed.gov). For the Improving Pandemic Recovery Efforts in Education Agencies competition (84.305X): Allen Ruby. Telephone: (202) 245-8145. Email: [Allen.Ruby@ed.gov](mailto:Allen.Ruby@ed.gov).

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