

**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS****[OMB Control No. 2900-0110]****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 in determining a release of liability and substitution of entitlement of veteran-sellers to the Government on GI or direct loans.

**DATES:** Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before March 14, 2000.

**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. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0110" 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:* Application for Assumption Approval and/or Release from Personal Liability to the Government on a Home Loan, VA Form 26-6381.

*OMB Control Number:* 2900-0110.

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

*Abstract:* Title 38, U.S.C., Section 3713(a) provides that when a veteran disposes of his or her interest in the property securing the loan, the VA may, upon request, release the original veteran-borrower from personal liability to the Government only if three requirements are fulfilled. First, the loan must be current. Second, the purchaser must assume all of the veteran's liability to the Government and the mortgage holder on the guaranteed loan. Third, the purchaser must qualify from a credit and income standpoint, to the same extent as if he or she were a veteran applying for a VA-guaranteed loan in the same amount as the loan being assumed. Veterans who are selling their homes by assumption rather than requiring purchasers to obtain their own financing to pay off the loan must complete this form. The information furnished is essential to determinations for assumption approval, release of liability, and substitution of entitlement.

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

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 680 hours.

*Estimated Average Burden Per*

*Respondent:* 10 minutes.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 4,082.

Dated: December 28, 1999.

By direction of the Secretary.

**Sandra McIntyre,**

*Management Analyst, Information Management Service.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS****[OMB Control No. 2900-0215]****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 on the information needed to determine the address of a child attaining the age of majority and to determine the child's status for benefits.

**DATES:** Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before March 14, 2000.

**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. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0215" 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:* Request for Information to Make Direct Payment to Child Reaching Majority, VA Form Letter 21-863.

*OMB Control Number:* 2900-0215.

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

*Abstract:* VA Form Letter 21-863 is used by VA adjudicators to determine the address of a child attaining the age of majority and to determine the child's status. Title 38, CFR 3.403 provides direct payment to a child, if competent, from the date the child reaches the age of majority. Title 38, CFR 3.667 provided that a child may be paid from a child's 18th birthday based upon school attendance. This form letter solicits information needed to determine eligibility to benefits.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 3,767 hours.

*Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent:* 10 minutes.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 22,600.

Dated: December 23, 1999.

By direction of the Secretary:

**Sandra McIntyre,**

*Management Analyst, Information Management Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0393]

### Proposed Information Collection Activity: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Office of Acquisitions and Materiel Management, Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Office of Acquisitions and Materiel Management (OA&MM), 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 reinstatement, with change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on the information needed to determine whom to award contracts or with whom to enter into blanket purchase agreements.

**DATES:** Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before March 14, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments on the collection of information to Donald E. Kaliher, Office of Acquisitions and Materiel Management (95A), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0393" in any correspondence.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Donald E. Kaliher at (202) 273-8819.

**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, OA&MM invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of OA&MM's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of OA&MM'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:* VA Acquisition Regulation (VAAR) Part 813.

*OMB Control Number:* 2900-0393.

*Type of Review:* Reinstatement, with change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

*Abstract:* VA issues requests for quotations (RFQs) under the procedures of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Part 13 and VAAR Part 813 for the acquisition of the goods and services necessary to operate the Department. In addition, VA requests information from vendors for the purpose of establishing blanket purchase agreements (BPAs). Any individual or business wishing to submit an offer on an RFQ or respond to a request for the establishment of a BPA may do so. VA will use the information to determine to which business or individual VA should issue a purchase order for the acquisition of goods or services or to determine with which business or individual VA should establish a BPA. This collection of information covers only those acquisition-related actions conducted under the procedures of FAR Part 13 and VAAR Part 813 that affect 10 or more persons and are, therefore, subject

to the PRA. Such actions include open market competitive acquisitions between \$25,000 and \$100,000 and, for commercial items, acquisitions between \$100,000 and \$5 million where simplified procedures are used.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit; Individuals and households; and Not-for-profit institutions.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 10,650 hours.

*Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent:* 1 hour.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 10,650.

Dated: December 23, 1999.

By direction of the Secretary.

**Sandra McIntyre,**

*Program Analyst, Information Management Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0598]

### Proposed Information Collection Activity: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Veterans Health Administration (VHA) 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 reinstatement, without change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on the information needed to aid physicians in diagnosing and treating Gulf War veterans.

**DATES:** Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before March 14, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments on the collection of information to Ann Bickoff, Veterans Health Administration (193B1), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0598" in any correspondence.