

public, another person from a member's organization may attend and observe the proceedings in a nonparticipating capacity. Regular attendance is essential; the Charter provides that a member who is absent for two consecutive meetings or two meetings in a calendar year shall lose his or her seat on the Committee.

#### **Application for Advisory Committee Appointment**

Any interested person wishing to serve on the Treasury Advisory Committee on Commercial Operations of the U.S. Customs Service must provide the following:

- Statement of interest and reasons for application;
- Complete professional biography or resume;
- Political affiliation, in order to ensure balanced representation. (Mandatory. If no party registration or allegiance, indicate "independent" or "unaffiliated").

In addition, applicants must state in their applications that they agree to submit to preappointment security and tax checks (Mandatory). However, a security clearance is not required for the position.

There is no prescribed format for the application. Applicants may send a cover letter describing their interest and qualifications and enclosing a resume.

The application period for interested candidates will extend to July 3, 2000. Applications should be submitted in sufficient time to be received by the close of business on the closing date by John P. Simpson, Office of Regulatory, Tariff and Trade Enforcement, Office of the Under Secretary (Enforcement), Room 4004, Department of the Treasury, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20220, ATT: COAC 2000.

Dated: May 10, 2000.

**Dennis M. O'Connell,**

*Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary  
(Regulatory, Tariff and Trade Enforcement).*  
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## **DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**

### **Internal Revenue Service**

#### **Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Form 8615**

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

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort

to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13(44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning Form 8615, Tax for Children Under Age 14 Who Have Investment Income of More Than \$1,400.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before July 14, 2000 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Garrick R. Shear, Internal Revenue Service, room 5244, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the form and instructions should be directed to Larnice Mack, (202) 622-3179, Internal Revenue Service, room 5244, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Tax for Children Under Age 14 Who Have Investment Income of More Than \$1,400.

*OMB Number:* 1545-0998.

*Form Number:* 8615.

*Abstract:* Under Internal Revenue Code section 1(g), children under age 14 who have unearned income may be taxed on part of that income at their parent's tax rate. Form 8615 is used to see if any of the child's unearned income is taxed at the parent's rate and, if so, to compute the child's tax on his or her unearned income and earned income, if any.

*Current Actions:* There are no changes being made to the form at this time.

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

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 331,128.

*Estimated Time Per Respondent:* 1 hr., 28 min.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 486,758.

The following paragraph applies to all of the collections of information covered by this notice:

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a collection of information must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any internal revenue law. Generally, tax returns and

tax return information are confidential, as required by 26 U.S.C. 6103.

#### **Request for Comments**

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Approved: May 9, 2000.

**Garrick R. Shear,**

*IRS Reports Clearance Officer.*

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## **DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**

### **Internal Revenue Service**

#### **Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Form 2555-EZ**

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

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning Form 2555-EZ, Foreign Earned Income Exclusion.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before July 14, 2000 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Garrick R. Shear, Internal Revenue Service, room 5244, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or

copies of the form and instructions should be directed to Carol Savage, (202) 622-3945, Internal Revenue Service, room 5242, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Foreign Earned Income Exclusion.

*OMB Number:* 1545-1326.

*Form Number:* 2555-EZ.

*Abstract:* U.S. citizens and resident aliens who qualify may use Form 2555-EZ instead of Form 2555, Foreign Earned Income, to exclude a limited amount of their foreign earned income. Form 2555-EZ is a simpler form that can be used by taxpayers whose foreign earned income is \$76,000 or less and who satisfy certain other conditions. The information on the form is used by the IRS to determine if a taxpayer qualifies for, and has properly computed, the foreign earned income exclusion.

*Current Actions:* There are no changes being made to the form at this time.

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

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Estimated Number of Responses:* 43,478.

*Estimated Time Per Respondent:* 2 hours, 5 minutes.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 90,434.

The following paragraph applies to all of the collections of information covered by this notice:

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a collection of information must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any internal revenue law. Generally, tax returns and tax return information are confidential, as required by 26 U.S.C. 6103.

**Request for Comments**

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of

information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Approved: May 9, 2000.

**Garrick R. Shear,**

*IRS Reports Clearance Officer.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**

**Bureau of the Public Debt**

**Proposed Collection: Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of the Public Debt, Department of the Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently the Bureau of the Public Debt within the Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning the Special Form of Request For Payment of United States Savings and Retirement Securities Where Use of a Detached Request is Authorized.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before July 17, 2000, to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Bureau of the Public Debt, Vicki S. Thorpe, 200 Third Street, Parkersburg, WV 26106-1328.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the form and instructions should be directed to Vicki S. Thorpe, Bureau of the Public Debt, 200 Third Street, Parkersburg, WV 26106-1328, (304) 480-6553.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Special Form of Request for Payment of United States Savings and Retirement Securities Where Use of A Detached Request is Authorized.

*OMB Number:* 1535-0004.

*Form Number:* PD F 1522.

*Abstract:* The information is requested to establish ownership and request for payment of United States Savings Bonds/Retirement Securities.

*Current Actions:* None.

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Affected Public:* Individuals.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 56,000.

*Estimated Time Per Respondent:* 15 minutes.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 14,000.

*Request for Comments:* Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Dated: May 9, 2000.

**Vicki S. Thorpe,**

*Manager, Graphics, Printing and Records Branch.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**

**Bureau of the Public Debt**

**Proposed Collection; Comment Request**

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently the Bureau of the Public Debt within the Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning the Exchange Application For U.S. Savings Bonds of Series HH.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before July 17, 2000, to be assured of consideration.