Supporting Statement for Form SSA-1383 Student Reporting Form

20 CFR 404.352(b)(2), 404.367, 404.368, 404.415, 404.434, 422.135

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A. Justification

- 1. A child is required by law to notify the Social Security Administration (SSA) of any change in circumstances that could affect continued entitlement to and receipt of checks once SSA determines that a child is entitled to Social Security benefits. *Sections 202(d)*, 203(f) and 202(x)(1) of the Social Security Act (the Act), set forth how earnings, marriage, change in school attendance, and incarceration affect a child's continuing entitlement to benefits if the child is a student. All or part of the benefits may not be paid if annual earnings exceed a prescribed amount and the student beneficiary either earned over the monthly limit or rendered substantial services in self-employment, as provided under 20 CFR 404.415 and 404.434. Under 20 CFR 404.352(b)(2), marriage will terminate the student's benefits, except in rare instances. *Sections 20 CFR 404.367 and 404.368* provide that a student beneficiary must be in full-time attendance at an educational institution to qualify for benefits. Beneficiaries must report events that may cause a reduction, termination, or suspension of their benefits, as required by 20 CFR 422.135.
- 2. SSA needs the information collected from the student beneficiary or the representative payee on Form SSA-1383 to determine if the change or event reported affects continuing entitlement to Social Security benefits and the correct benefit amounts for student beneficiaries. Respondents are Social Security student beneficiaries.
- 3. SSA's operating instructions provide for our local offices to give or send the reporting Form SSA-1383 to individuals who become entitled to student benefits, so students should already have a copy of the form. Students may also call SSA's 800 number or a local office to report changes that could affect entitlement to benefits. In general, the student entitlement period is about a year, and most students do not need to report any changes to SSA. In light of these circumstances, making the SSA-1383 available online is not a productive use of SSA resources.
- 4. The nature of the information being collected and the manner in which it is collected preclude duplication. There is no other collection instrument used by SSA that collects data similar to that collected here.
- 5. This collection does not have an impact on a substantial number of small businesses or

other small entities.

- 6. Neither the correct benefit amount, nor the continuing entitlement, can be determined without the information provided by the student beneficiary or the representative payee using Form SSA-1383. If this information were not collected, SSA would not provide the beneficiary with the correct amount, and might continue entitlement when it should be terminated. As the information on Form SSA-1383 is collected only when necessary, this information collection could not be conducted less frequently. There are no technical or legal obstacles that prevent burden reduction.
- 7. There are no special circumstances that would cause this information collection to be conducted in a manner that is not consistent with 5 CFR 1320.5.
- 8. The 60-day advance Federal Register Notice was published on November 30, 2007 at 72 FR 67776, and SSA has received no public comments. The second Notice was published on January 17, 2008 at 73 FR 3307. There have been no outside consultations with members of the public
- 9. SSA provides no payment or gifts to the respondents.
- 10. The information requested is protected and held confidential in accordance with 42 U.S.C. 1306, 20 CFR 401 and 402, 5 U.S.C. 552 (Freedom of Information Act), 5 U.S.C. 552a (Privacy Act of 1974) and OMB Circular No. A-130.
- 11. The information collection does not contain any questions of a sensitive nature.
- 12. The estimated burden hour total is shown in the following chart. The total burden is reflected as burden hours. No separate cost burden has been calculated.

Total	75,000		6	7,500
SSA-1383	75,000	1	6	7,500
			(Minutes)	
Form	Respondents	Frequency	Response Time	Burden Hours

- 13. There is no known cost burden to the respondents.
- 14. The annual cost to the Federal Government is approximately \$115,500. This estimate is a projection of the costs for printing and distributing the collection instrument and for collecting the information.
- 15. There are no changes in the public reporting burden.
- 16. The results of the information collection will not be published.

- 17. OMB has granted SSA an exemption from the requirement that the expiration date for OMB approval be printed on its program forms. SSA produces millions of public-use forms, many of which have a life cycle longer than that of an OMB approval. SSA does not periodically revise and reprint its public-use forms (e.g., on an annual basis). This exemption was granted so that otherwise useable editions of forms would not be taken out of circulation because the expiration date had been reached. In addition, Government waste has been avoided because stocks of forms will not have to be destroyed and reprinted.
- 18. SSA is not requesting an exception to the certification requirements at 5 CFR 1320.9 and related provisions at 5 CFR 1320.8(b)(3).

B. <u>Collections of Information Employing Statistical Methods</u>

Statistical methods are not used for this information collection.