

or issuance of the licenses and identification cards.

In compliance with GPEA, states will be permitted to submit the required information for their security plans, certification packages, and written exceptions processes electronically. States will be permitted to submit electronic signatures but must keep the original signature on file. Additionally, because they contain sensitive security information (SSI), the security plans must be handled and protected in accordance with 49 CFR Part 1520. 6 CFR 37.41(c). The final rule does not dictate how States must submit their employees' fingerprints to the FBI for background checks; however it is assumed States will do so via electronic means or another means determined by the FBI.

This is a revision to the original REAL ID information request that covered submissions of material compliance checklists and requests for extensions to meet the requirements of the regulation. This collection is being revised to cover the collection of information required under the regulation for full compliance, including recordkeeping requirements and employee background checks, and to include information to assist DHS in making full compliance determinations. States seeking certification of full compliance with the REAL ID Act must follow the certification requirements described in § 37.55 of the regulation and referenced in the response to question one of this supporting statement. There are no new or additional costs associated with this revised information collection. All costs were included in the REAL ID final rule that was published in January 2008. There has been an increase in annual burden hours associated with this collection. This increase in burden is a result of the collection of information required for full compliance. The number of respondents also has increased from 51 to 56, as the previously approved collection did not include the five U.S. Territories (Puerto Rico, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, the Virgin Islands, and American Samoa).

#### Analysis

*Agency:* Office of the Secretary, DHS.

*Title:* REAL ID: Minimum Standards for Driver's Licenses and Identification Cards Acceptable by Federal Agencies.

*OMB Number:* 1601-0005.

*Frequency:* Once.

*Affected Public:* State, Local, and Tribal Governments.

*Number of Respondents:* 56.

*Estimated Time per Respondent:* 1,098 hours.

*Total Burden Hours:* 443,606.

Dated: September 27, 2011.

**Richard Spires,**

*Chief Information Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Case Submission Form, Case Assistance Form; (Form DHS-7001), Online Ombudsman Form DHS-7001

**AGENCY:** Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Service Ombudsman, DHS.

**ACTION:** 30-Day Notice and request for comments; Revision of a currently approved collection.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Homeland Security, Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Service Ombudsman, will submit the following information collection request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). DHS previously published this information collection request (ICR) in the **Federal Register** on July 18, 2011 at 76 FR 42129, for a 60-day public comment period. No comments were received by DHS. The purpose of this notice is to allow additional 30-days for public comments.

**DATES:** Comments are encouraged and will be accepted until November 4, 2011. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.10.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the proposed information collection to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget. Comments should be addressed to OMB Desk Officer, Department of Homeland Security and sent via electronic mail to [oir\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:oir_submission@omb.eop.gov) or faxed to (202) 395-5806. The Office of Management and Budget is particularly interested in comments which:

1. Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

2. Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

3. Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

4. Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** If additional information is required contact: Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman, DHS, *Attn.:* Chief of Special Programs, Mail Stop 1225, Washington, DC 20528-1225. Comments may also be submitted to DHA via facsimile to 202-272-8352, 202-357-0042 or via e-mail at [rfs.regs@dhs.gov](mailto:rfs.regs@dhs.gov) or [cisombudsman@dhs.gov](mailto:cisombudsman@dhs.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Citizenship and Immigration Services (CIS) Ombudsman was created under section 452 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (Public Law 107-296) to: (1) Assist individuals and employers in resolving problems with the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS); (2) to identify areas in which individuals and employers have problems in dealing with USCIS; and (3) to the extent possible, propose changes in the administrative practices of USCIS to mitigate problems. This form is used by an applicant who is experiencing problems with USCIS during the processing of an immigration benefit.

The information collected on this form will allow the CIS Ombudsman to identify the issue such as: (1) A case problem which is a request for information about a case that was filed with USCIS ("case problem"); or (2) the identification of a systemic issue that may or may not pertain to an individual case which the individual, attorney or employer is seeking to bring to the attention of the CIS Ombudsman ("trend"). For case problems, the CIS Ombudsman will refer case specific issues to the Customer Assistance Office for USCIS for further research, and review.

For trends received, the CIS Ombudsman notes the systemic issue identified in the correspondence which may or may not be incorporated into future recommendations submitted to the Director of USCIS pursuant to section 452(d)(4) of Public Law 107-296.

The use of this form provides the most efficient means for collecting and processing the required data. The CIS Ombudsman anticipates employing the

use of information technology in collecting and processing information by offering the option for electronic submission of the DHS Form 7001 in FY2012. The technology for electronic capture of this data is in the final phase of development with successful testing of a pilot version conducted in the 4th quarter of FY2010. We are requesting a two year approval for the form anticipating Government Paperwork Elimination Act compliance for electronic means for collections to be developed and deployed by FY2012. We plan to submit any required paperwork to amend this document for the electronic version of this form during FY2011. There has been no increase or decrease in the estimated annual burden hours previously reported for this information collection. There is no change in the information being collected, however there have been cosmetic changes to the form including punctuation and formatting. The title of the form has changed from "Case Problem Submission Worksheet (CIS Ombudsman Form DHS-7001)" to "Case Assistance Form (Form DHS-7001)". The name of the system has changed from "Virtual Ombudsman System" to "Online Ombudsman Form DHS-7001". The instructions have been updated to reflect the electronic submission options. Instructions for electronic submission will be posted on the CIS Ombudsman Web site at <http://www.dhs.gov/cisombudsman>.

The terms of clearance from the previously approved collection have been addressed by updates to the: (a) Privacy Impact Assessment for the Office of the Citizenship & Immigration Services Ombudsman (CISOMB) Virtual Ombudsman System (March 19, 2010); and the (b) Systems of Records Notice: 9110-9B Department of Homeland Security, Office of the Secretary [Docket No. DHS-2009-0146] Privacy Act of 1974; Department of Homeland Security Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman-001 Virtual Ombudsman System (March 2010) to reflect the name change to Online Ombudsman Form DHS-7001 System of Records.

#### Analysis

*Agency:* Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Service Ombudsman, DHS.  
*Title:* Case Submission Form.  
*OMB Number:* 1601-0004.  
*Frequency:* On Occasion.  
*Affected Public:* Individuals or Household.

*Number of Respondents:* 2,600.  
*Estimated Time Per Respondent:* 1 Hour.

*Total Burden Hours:* 2,600.

Dated: September 27, 2011.

**Richard Spires,**

*Chief Information Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Office of the Secretary

#### Senior Executive Service Performance Review; Correction

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice; correction.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Homeland Security published a document in the *Federal Register* of September 26, 2011, regarding the appointment of the members of the Senior Executive Performance Review Boards. This correction adds the names of three individuals who were omitted from the listing.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Elizabeth Haefeli, Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer, telephone (202) 357-8164.

#### Correction

In the *Federal Register* of September 26, 2011, in FR Doc. 2011-24577, beginning on page 59417, please add the following three names to the column listing names in alphabetical order on pages 59417 and 59418:

McLaughlin, Christopher,  
 Shelton Waters,  
 Karen, Tate, Cornelius.

Dated: September 28, 2011.

**Shonna R. James,**

*Director, Executive Resources, Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Federal Emergency Management Agency

**[Internal Agency Docket No. FEMA-3327-EM; Docket ID FEMA-2011-0001]**

#### North Carolina; Emergency and Related Determinations

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This is a notice of the Presidential declaration of an emergency for the State of North Carolina (FEMA-3327-EM), dated

August 25, 2011, and related determinations.

**DATES:** *Effective Date:* August 25, 2011.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Peggy Miller, Office of Response and Recovery, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street, SW., Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-3886.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given that, in a letter dated August 25, 2011, the President issued an emergency declaration under the authority of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5208 (the Stafford Act), as follows:

I have determined that the emergency conditions in certain areas of the State of North Carolina resulting from Hurricane Irene beginning on August 25, 2011, and continuing, are of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant an emergency declaration under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq. ("the Stafford Act"). Therefore, I declare that such an emergency exists in the State of North Carolina.

You are authorized to provide appropriate assistance for required emergency measures, authorized under Title V of the Stafford Act, to save lives and to protect property and public health and safety, and to lessen or avert the threat of a catastrophe in the designated areas. Specifically, you are authorized to provide assistance for emergency protective measures (Category B), including direct Federal assistance, under the Public Assistance program. This assistance excludes regular time costs for subgrantees' regular employees.

Consistent with the requirement that Federal assistance is supplemental, any Federal funds provided under the Stafford Act for Public Assistance will be limited to 75 percent of the total eligible costs. In order to provide Federal assistance, you are hereby authorized to allocate from funds available for these purposes such amounts as you find necessary for Federal emergency assistance and administrative expenses.

Further, you are authorized to make changes to this declaration for the approved assistance to the extent allowable under the Stafford Act.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) hereby gives notice that pursuant to the authority vested in the Administrator, Department of Homeland Security, under Executive Order 12148, as amended, Michael F. Byrne, of FEMA is appointed to act as the Federal Coordinating Officer for this declared emergency.

The following areas of the State of North Carolina have been designated as adversely affected by this declared emergency:

Carteret, Craven, Currituck, Dare, Halifax, Hyde, Johnston, Jones, Nash, Northampton, Onslow, Pamlico, Perquimans, Pitt, Tyrrell,