Internal Revenue Service

Supporting Statement

OMB Number 1545-2226

Form 5884-C

Work Opportunity Credit for Qualified Tax-Exempt Organizations Hiring Qualified Veterans

1. CIRCUMSTANCES NECESSITATING COLLECTION OF INFORMATION

Form 5884-C was developed as a result of VOW to Hire Heroes Act of 2011, PL 112-58. Section 261 of PL 112-56 expanded the Work Opportunity Credit to tax-exempt organizations that hire unemployed veterans. The tax credit is a reduction in payroll taxes paid by the tax-exempt organization. Form 5884-C allows a tax-exempt organization a way to claim the credit and provides the IRS the information to process the tax credit.

1. USE OF DATA

Form 5884-C will provide tax-exempt employers with a tax form to claim the new tax credit. The data on Form 5884-C will be used to adjust the payroll taxes of the employer that claims the Work Opportunity Credit.

1. USE OF IMPROVED INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY TO REDUCE BURDEN

Electronic filing of Form 5884-C is not currently available due to the low number of filers. IRS has determined that the relatively low volume does not justify the cost of electronic enabling.

1. EFFORTS TO IDENTITY DUPLICATION

The information obtained through this collection is unique and is not already available for use or adaptation from another source.

1. METHODS TO MINIMIZE BURDEN ON SMALL BUSINESSES OR OTHER SMALL ENTITIES

Small businesses should not be disadvantaged as the form has been structured to request the least amount of information and still satisfy the requirements of the statute and the needs of the Service. All taxpayers, including small entities, complete the same tax form.

1. CONSEQUENCES OF LESS FREQUENT COLLECTION ON FEDERAL PROGRAMS OR POLICY ACTIVITIES

A less frequent collection of this information would result in qualified tax-exempt organizations being unable to take advantage of the credit which could reduce their organizations tax liability. This could result in the IRS being unable to meet its mission.

1. SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES REQUIRING DATA COLLECTION TO BE INCONSISTENT WITH GUIDELINES IN 5 CFR 1320.5(D)(2)

There are no special circumstances requiring data collection to be inconsistent with guidelines in 5 CFR 1320.5(d)(2).

1. CONSULTATION WITH INDIVIDUALS OUTSIDE OF THE AGENCY ON AVAILABILITY OF DATA, FREQUENCY OF COLLECTION, CLARITY OF INSTRUCTIONS AND FORMS, AND DATA ELEMENTS

Periodic meetings are held between IRS personnel and representatives of the American Bar Association, the National Society of Public Accountants, the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, and other professional groups to discuss tax law and tax forms. During these meetings, there is an opportunity for those attending to make comments regarding Form 5884-C.

We received no comments during the comment period in response to Federal Register notice (83 FR 23339), dated May 18, 2018, regarding this form.

1. EXPLANATION OF DECISION TO PROVIDE ANY PAYMENT OR GIFT TO RESPONDENTS

No payment or gift has been provided to any respondents.

1. ASSURANCE OF CONFIDENTIALITY OF RESPONSES

Generally, tax returns and tax return information are confidential as required by 26 USC 6103.

1. JUSTIFICATION OF SENSITIVE QUESTIONS

There is no sensitive personally identifiable information (PII) in this collection.

1. ESTIMATED BURDEN OF INFORMATION COLLECTION

The estimated burden is based on the number of projected filers and the time to complete Form 5884-C.

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| Authority | Description | Respondents | # of responses per respondent | Number of Annual Responses | Time Per Response | Total Burden |
| PL 112-58. Section 261 | Form 5884-C | 60,530 | 1 | 60,530 | 6.57 | 397,683 |

Estimates of the annualized cost to respondents for the tax burden are not available at this time.

1. ESTIMATED TOTAL ANNUAL COST BURDEN TO RESPONDENTS

To ensure more accuracy and consistency across its information collections, IRS is currently in the process of revising the methodology it uses to estimate burden and costs. Once this methodology is complete, IRS will update this information collection to reflect a more precise estimate of burden and costs.

1. ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

The Federal government cost estimate is based on a model that considers the following three cost factors for each information product: aggregate labor costs for development, including annualized start up expenses, operating and maintenance expenses, and distribution of the product that collects the information.

The government computes cost using a multi-step process.  First, the government creates a weighted factor for the level of effort to create each information collection product based on variables such as; complexity, number of pages, type of product and frequency of revision.  Second, the total costs associated with developing the product such as labor cost, and operating expenses associated with the downstream impact such as support functions, are added together to obtain the aggregated total cost.  Then, the aggregated total cost and factor are multiplied together to obtain the aggregated cost per product.  Lastly, the aggregated cost per product is added to the cost of shipping and printing each product to IRS offices, National Distribution Center, libraries and other outlets. The result is the Government cost estimate per product.

The government cost estimate for this collection is summarized in the table below.

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| **Product** | **Aggregate Cost per Product (factor applied)** |  | **Printing and Distribution** |  | **Government Cost Estimate per Product** |
| Form 5884-C | 13,903 | + | 0 | = | 13,903 |
| **Grand Total** | **13,903** |  | **0** |  | **13,903** |
| Table costs are based on 2016 actuals obtained from IRS Chief Financial Office and Media and Publications | | | | | |
| \* New product costs will be included in the next collection update. | | | | | |

1. ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

There is no change in the paperwork burden previously approved by OMB. We are making this submission to renew the OMB approval.

1. PLANS FOR TABULATION, STATISTICAL ANALYSIS AND PUBLICATION

There are no plans for tabulation, statistical analysis and publication

1. REASONS WHY DISPLAYING THE OMB EXPIRATION DATE IS INAPPROPRIATE

IRS believes that displaying the OMB expiration date is inappropriate because it could cause confusion by leading taxpayers to believe that the regulation sunsets as of the expiration date. Taxpayers are not likely to be aware that the Service intends to request renewal of the OMB approval and obtain a new expiration date before the old one expires.

1. EXCEPTIONS TO THE CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

There are no exceptions to the certification statement.

Note: The following paragraph applies to all of the collections of information in this submission:

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.