

March 6, 2018

MEMORANDUM FOR : Reviewer of 1220-0011

FROM : Nicholas Johnson, Branch Chief  
Data Collection Branch  
Division of Current Employment Statistics  
Bureau of Labor Statistics

SUBJECT : Public Burden Statement Update  
Current Employment Statistics Survey

This memorandum requests a non-substantive change to the Current Employment Statistics (CES) OMB clearance. The Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) proposes to update the language in its public burden statement on the CES forms. On February 27, 2018, North Carolina informed the BLS it no longer interprets North Carolina state law to require mandatory completion of the CES form and requested that North Carolina be removed from the list of 'mandatory' states that appears on the forms. In addition, the confidentiality pledge language will be revised to reflect the updated language approved by OMB under OMB Control No. 1220-0190. BLS is requesting OMB approval to update the CES forms to reflect these changes.

Previously, the public burden statement read:

This report is authorized by law 29 U.S.C. 2. We request your cooperation to make the results of this survey comprehensive, accurate, and timely. The Bureau of Labor Statistics, its employees, agents, and partner statistical agencies, will use the information you provide for statistical purposes only and will hold the information in confidence to the full extent permitted by law. In accordance with the Confidential Information Protection and Statistical Efficiency Act of 2002 (Title 5 of Public Law 107-347) and other applicable Federal laws, your responses will not be disclosed in identifiable form without your informed consent.

Please note this report is mandatory in North Carolina, under Section 96-4(i) of the North Carolina Employment Security Law; in Oregon, under the Oregon Revised Statute 657.660; in South Carolina, under Section 41-29-120 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina (for firms employing more than twenty individuals); and in Puerto Rico, under State Law 15, Sections 5, 6 and 15, amended and approved on April 14, 1931.

We estimate that it will take an average of 10 minutes to complete this form each month including time to review instructions, search existing data sources, gather and maintain the necessary data, and complete and review this information. If you have any comments regarding these estimates or any other aspects of this survey, send them to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Division of Current Employment Statistics (1220-0011), 2 Massachusetts Avenue, NE, Washington, DC 20212. You are not required to respond to the collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. Form Approved OMB No. 1220-0011.

The new public burden statement will read:

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If you have any questions about this request, please contact Nicholas Johnson by telephone at 202-691-7870 or by e-mail at johnson.nicholas@bls.gov.