**SUPPORTING STATEMENT**

Internal Revenue Service (IRS)

Installment Sale Income (Form 6252)

OMB Control Number **1545-0228**

1. CIRCUMSTANCES NECESSITATING COLLECTION OF INFORMATION

Section 453 of the Internal Revenue Code provides that if real or personal property is disposed of at a gain and at least one payment is to be received in a tax year after the year of sale, the income is to be reported in installments, as payment is received.

Form 6252, *Installment Sale Income*, is used for the computation of the income to be reported in the year of sale and in years after the year of sale. It also provides for the computation of installment sales between certain related parties required by section 453(e).

This form helps you figure out how much of the money you received during a given tax year was a return of capital, how much was a gain and how much was interest. You can then report the proper amounts on your tax return.

There are no changes being made to this form at this time. IRS is making this submission for renewal purposes.

1. USE OF DATA

The information provided on the form is used to report the sale of property on the installment plan. The Internal Revenue Service uses this information to ensure proper compliance with the laws and to figure and collect the right amount of tax.

1. USE OF IMPROVED INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY TO REDUCE BURDEN

Electronic filing is currently available for Form 6252.

1. EFFORTS TO IDENTIFY DUPLICATION

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

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

 There is no burden on small businesses or other small entities due to the inapplicability of the authorizing statute to this type of entity.

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

 The information required on this form is needed to ensure proper compliance with tax laws and to report the sale of property on an installment plan. A less frequent collection of taxes and tax information could adversely affect the government’s effectiveness and would reduce the oversight of the public in ensuring compliance with Internal Revenue Code and hinder the IRS from meeting 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 on Form 6252.

In response to the Federal Register notice dated March 22, 2022 (87 FR 16313), we received no comments during the comment period regarding Form 6252.

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 U.S.C. 6103.

1. JUSTIFICATION OF SENSITIVE QUESTIONS

A privacy impact assessment (PIA) has been conducted for information collected under this request as part of the “Business Master file (BMF)” and a Privacy Act System of Records notice (SORN) has been issued for these systems under IRS 22.062 – Electronic Filing Records; IRS 24.030 – Customer Account Data Engine (CADE) Individual Master File; IRS 24.046 - CADE Business Master File (BMF); IRS 34.037 - IRS Audit Trail and Security Records System. The Internal Revenue Service PIA’s can be found at <http://www.irs.gov/uac/Privacy-Impact-Assessments-PIA>

Title 26 USC 6109 requires inclusion of identifying numbers in returns, statements, or other documents for securing proper identification of persons required to make such returns, statements, or documents and is the authority for social security numbers (SSNs) in IRS systems.

1. ESTIMATED BURDEN OF INFORMATION COLLECTION

From 6252 is used to report income from the sale of real property or the casual sale of personal property other than inventory if you are a dealer. At least one payment (including payments from sales reported on the installment method prior to 1980) will be received in a tax year after the year of sale.

The estimated burden for individual taxpayers filing Form 6252 is approved OMB control number 1545-0074. IRS estimates for all other filers is 58,426 respondents annually and it is estimated to take approximately 3 hours 4 minutes to complete the Form 6252 for a total of 178,784 burden hours.

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| Form | Description | # Respondents | # Responses Per Respondent-Approximate | Total Annual Responses | Hours Per Response | Total Burden |
| 6252 | Installment Sale Income | 58,426 | 1 | 58,426 | 3.06 | 178,784 |
| TOTAL |  | 58,426 |  | 58,426 |  | 178,784 |

The following regulations impose no additional burden. Please continue to assign OMB number 1545-0228 to these regulations.

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1. ESTIMATED TOTAL ANNUAL COST BURDEN TO RESPONDENTS

The IRS currently estimates the cost burden on respondents to be nominal.

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 startup 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 6252 |  $ 79,900 | + | $ 560 | = |  $ 80,460  |
| Total |  $ 79,900 |  | $ 560 |  |  $ 80,460  |
| Table costs are based on 2021 actuals obtained from IRS Chief Financial Officer and Media and Publications |

1. REASONS FOR CHANGE IN BURDEN

 There are no material changes in the paperwork burden previously approved by OMB. However, to avoid duplication of the burden for individual filers (accounted for in OMB control number 1545-0074) IRS has decreased the burden by 463,472 responses and 1,418,224 hours. IRS is making this submission for renewal purposes.

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|   | Requested | Program Change Due to New Statute | Program Change Due to Agency Discretion | Change Due to Adjustment in Agency Estimate | Change Due to Potential Violation of the PRA | Previously Approved |
| Annual Number of Responses | 58,426 | 0 | 0 | -463,472 | 0 | 521,898 |
| Annual Time Burden (Hr) | 178,784 | 0 | 0 | -1,418,224 | 0 | 1,597,008 |

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 regulations sunsets as of the expiration date. Taxpayers are not likely to be aware that the IRS 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 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 if 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.