

down as follows: 59 individuals/drivers, 24 schools/school districts, the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation, and the ODE. Most of those expressing support for the application—primarily individuals/drivers or training schools in the State of Ohio—repeatedly commented that the ODE training regulations for school bus drivers in Ohio already exceed the requirements set forth in the impending Federal ELDT regulations.

The Commercial Vehicle Training Association (CVTA) and the National Association of Publicly Funded Truck Driving Schools (NAPFTDS), opposed the request. Also, Ancora Education and Roehl Transportation (Ancora/Roehl) expressed opposition to the request. In their jointly submitted comments, the CVTA and NAPFTDS stated: “The safety of children being transported to and from school is not negotiable and should not be part of any discussion that does not adhere to the highest level of commercial driver and passenger training standards. The ELDT rule was created for this very purpose. The ELDT rule seeks to improve the quality of CDL training and the safety of drivers nationwide by mandating uniform standards that apply to all new CDL applicants. The ODE must be held to the same standard as all other entities, especially those who transport children.”

Ancora/Roehl also opposed application in their jointly filed comments, stating: “The petitioners claim that Ohio Pre-Service theory and BTW meet or exceed all Federal standards and that they should be exempt from ELDT. We believe that in the interest of transparency, improving safety on our busy roads that they should be held to the same rules as everyone else. If the ODE does, in fact, ‘meet and exceed’ the ELDT requirements there is no reason as to why they cannot participate in the Training Provider Registry (TPR) as any other training provider. If FMCSA, grants this exemption we fear that this will lead to more exemptions, further exposing our children to unsafe drivers and road conditions.” Four other commenters offered no position either for or against the ODE request, including the National School Transportation Association.

VI. FMCSA Safety Analysis and Decision

FMCSA evaluated the ODE application and the public comments and denies the exemption request. When the Agency originally established the ELDT rule, the Entry-Level Driver Training Advisory Committee agreed to

the rule’s core provisions through the Negotiated Rulemaking process. Furthermore, the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21) legislative statute which mandated the establishment of this rule, did include the passenger (P) endorsement within the scope of required ELDT. In light of the fact that 49 CFR part 383 currently requires that anyone seeking to obtain an S endorsement must also obtain a P endorsement, including the S endorsement training requirements in the ELDT final rule is entirely consistent with MAP-21. FMCSA believes that the S curriculum in the final rule will improve safety by providing a more complete approach to training that involves the transportation of all CMV passengers, including school children.

FMCSA does not believe the ELDT rule unduly burdens those jurisdictions that already maintain reasonable S training requirements. States or localities currently requiring that school bus drivers obtain S training that meets or exceeds the minimum standard established by the ELDT rule will be minimally impacted because the rule does not impose additional training requirements on those programs. Any provider who currently offers S endorsement training that is equivalent to, or more stringent than, the curriculum set forth in the ELDT rule is eligible for listing on the TPR, presuming all instructor qualifications and other requirements are met. Entities eligible for listing on the TPR include, for example, individual school districts, State agencies or departments, and third parties that contract with States or localities. The two commenters in opposition CVTA/NAPFTDS and Ancora/Roehl commented to these same points, and the Agency concurs with these commenters.

The ODE application does not provide an analysis of the safety impacts the requested exemption from the ELDT regulations may cause, and also does not provide adequate countermeasures to be undertaken to ensure that the exemption would likely achieve a level of safety equivalent to, or greater than, the level that would be achieved by the current regulations. Furthermore, through the Negotiated Rulemaking process, and the normal Agency notice and comment process for finalizing the ELDT rule, these provisions were agreed upon by the participants.

For these reasons, FMCSA denies the request for exemption.

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Deputy Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0021]

Agency Information Collection Activity: VA Loan Electronic Reporting Interface (VALERI) System and Title Requirements for Conveyance of Real Property to the Secretary

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed revision of a currently approved collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before July 8, 2022.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at www.Regulations.gov or to Nancy J. Kessinger, Veterans Benefits Administration (20M33), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420 or email to nancy.kessinger@va.gov. Please refer to “OMB Control No. 2900-0021” in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through FDMS.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Maribel Aponte, Office of Enterprise and Integration, Data Governance Analytics (008), 1717 H Street NW, Washington, DC 20006, (202) 266-4688 or email maribel.aponte@va.gov. Please refer to “OMB Control No. 2900-0021” in any correspondence.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA of 1995, Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, VBA invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of VBA’s functions, including whether the

information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of VBA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

Authority: 38 CFR 36.4338(a).

Title: VA LOAN ELECTRONIC REPORTING INTERFACE (VALERI) SYSTEM and TITLE REQUIREMENTS FOR CONVEYANCE OF REAL PROPERTY TO THE SECRETARY.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0021.

Type of Review: Revision.

Abstract: VA is submitting this modification to address information collection in the event loss mitigation efforts are unsuccessful and a VA-guaranteed loan goes into foreclosure. Statutory requirements for conveyance of properties to the Secretary are found in chapter 37 of title 38, United States Code. The implementing regulations are found in part 36 of title 38, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). In 38 CFR 36.4323, titled "Election to convey security", VA explains that each conveyance or transfer of real property to the Secretary pursuant to this section shall be acceptable if:

The holder thereby covenants or warrants against the acts of the holder and those claiming under the holder (e.g., by special warranty deed); and

It vests in the Secretary or will entitle the Secretary to such title as is or would be acceptable to prudent lending institutions, informed buyers, title companies, and attorneys, generally, in the community in which the property is situated.

Affected Public: Individuals or Households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 3,027 hours.

Estimated Average Burden per Respondent: 11 minutes.

Frequency of Response: One time.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 16,509.

By direction of the Secretary.

Maribel Aponte,

VA PRA Clearance Officer, Office of Enterprise and Integration/Data Governance Analytics, Department of Veterans Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0865]

Agency Information Collection Activity: Certification Requirements for Funeral Honors Providers

AGENCY: National Cemetery Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: National Cemetery Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of a currently approved collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before July 8, 2022.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at www.Regulations.gov or to Brian Hurley, National Cemetery Administration (42E), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420 or email to Brian.Hurley1@va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0865" in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through FDMS.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Maribel Aponte, Office of Enterprise and Integration, Data Governance Analytics (008), 1717 H Street NW, Washington, DC 20006, (202) 266-4688 or email maribel.aponte@va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0865" in any correspondence.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA of 1995, Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, NCA invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of NCA's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of NCA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

Authority: 38 U.S.C.2402 and 38 U.S.C. 2404; 38 CFR 38.619.

Title: Certification Requirements for Funeral Honors Providers.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0865.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: This information (VA Form 40-10190) is needed to ensure that funeral honors activities performed on VA property maintain the honor and dignity of the national cemetery and do not negatively impact the safety of cemetery visitors. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 32 hours.

Estimated Average Burden per Respondent: 5 minutes each.

Frequency of Response: One-time.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 380.

By direction of the Secretary.

Maribel Aponte,

VA PRA Clearance Officer, Office of Enterprise and Integration/Data Governance Analytics, Department of Veterans Affairs.

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