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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

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Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS), DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the *Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995*, the Defense Finance and Accounting Service announces a proposed public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by **[insert 60 days from publication in the Federal Register]**.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by any of the following methods:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

- Mail: Department of Defense, Office of the Deputy Chief Management Officer, Directorate of Oversight and Compliance, Regulatory and Audit Matters Office, 9010 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-9010.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name, docket number and title for this Federal Register document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

Any associated form(s) for this collection may be located within this same electronic docket and downloaded for review/testing. Follow the instructions at <http://www.regulations.gov> for submitting comments. Please submit comments on any given form identified by docket number, form number, and title.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the Defense Finance and Accounting Service; Office of Financial Operations; Retired and Annuitant Pay Quality Product Assurance Division ATTN: Chuck Moss, Cleveland, OH 44199-2001, or call at (216) 204-4426.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number: Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) – Automatic Coverage Fact Sheet; DD Form 2656-8; OMB Control Number 0730-TBD.

Needs and Uses: The information collection requirement is necessary to identify and determine the marital status of the retiree in order to correctly establish the retired pay account.

Affected Public: Individuals or households

Annual Burden Hours: 60

Number of Respondents: 240

Responses Per Respondent: 1

Annual Responses: 240

Average Burden Per Response: 15 minutes

Frequency: On occasion

If no SBP election is made at retirement time this form is mailed to the retiree. Automatic spouse coverage is established and the completion of this form provides Retired Pay with information about the spouse. In some instances, the retiree is unmarried and the coverage will be changed to reflect that.

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