



DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[Docket No.: ED-2023-SCC-0191]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Predominantly Black Institutions Competitive (PBI-C) Grant Program (1894-0001)

AGENCY: Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE), Department of Education (ED).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, the Department is proposing an extension without change of a currently approved information collection request (ICR).

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before **[INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]**.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for proposed information collection requests should be submitted within 30 days of publication of this notice. Click on this link www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain to access the site. Find this information collection request (ICR) by selecting “Department of Education” under “Currently Under Review,” then check the “Only Show ICR for Public Comment” checkbox. Reginfo.gov provides two links to view documents related to this information collection request. Information collection forms and instructions may be found by clicking on the “View Information Collection (IC) List” link. Supporting statements and other supporting documentation may be found by clicking on the “View Supporting Statement and Other Documents” link.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact Ashley Hillary, 202-205-4551.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a

timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

Title of Collection: Predominantly Black Institutions Competitive (PBI-C) Grant Program (1894-0001)

OMB Control Number: 1840-0797

Type of Review: Extension without change of a currently approved ICR.

Respondents / Affected Public: State, local, and Tribal governments

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 130

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 4,550

Abstract: The purpose of the Predominantly Black Institutions Competitive (PBI-C) grant program is to support the strengthening of PBIs to carry out programs in the following areas: science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM); health education; internationalization or globalization; teacher preparation; or improving educational outcomes of African American males.

This application package includes program background, application instructions, and forms needed to submit a complete application to the Department of Education. Grants are awarded competitively. This information collection is necessary to comply with title III, part F section 371 of the HEA.

This collection is being submitted under the Streamlined Clearance Process for Discretionary Grant Information Collections (1894-0001). Therefore, the 30-day public comment period notice will be the only public comment notice published for this information collection.

Dated: November 15, 2023.

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