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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Agriculture has submitted the following information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. Comments are requested regarding; whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments regarding this information collection received by [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER] will be considered. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review - Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function. An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number and the agency informs potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information that such persons are not required to respond to the collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number**.**

Food and Nutrition Administration

TITLE: USDA Professional Standards Training Tracker Tool (PSTTT)

OMB CONTROL NUMBER: 0584-0626

SUMMARY OF COLLECTION: This is a reinstatement of an expired information collection request. Section 306 of the Healthy Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010 (HHFKA) requires Professional Standards for state and local school district nutrition professionals. In addition to hiring standards, mandatory annual training is required for all individuals involved in preparing school meals. To meet the training requirements and assist in locating and keeping track of training, the USDA FNA's web-based application tool with a SQL-server database is available to local educational agencies and school food authorities through the FNA public website. While training requirements are mandatory, using the USDA PSTTT to track the training is voluntary. State and local school district nutrition professionals can use any method to track and manage their training. These resources facilitate compliance with HHFKA requirements and are provided at no cost to the state, district, or school nutrition professionals.

NEED AND USE OF THE INFORMATION: State and school nutrition professionals can use the PSTTT to keep track of their training courses, learning objectives, and training hours, in accordance with HHFKA requirements. State reviewers can run reports from the PSTTT that they can use in preparation for Administrative Reviews that are conducted onsite at the school food authorities.

DESCRIPTION OF RESPONDENTS: State, Local, or Tribal Government.

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 10,006.
FREQUENCY OF RESPONSES: Reporting: On occasion; Quarterly; Annually; Weekly; Monthly.

TOTAL BURDEN HOURS: 17,090.

Food and Nutrition Administration

Title: Federal Collection Methods for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Recipient Claims

OMB Control Number: 0584–0446.

Summary of Collection: This is a reinstatement of an expired information collection request. FNA is still legally required to collect this data and thereby continuing to collect it in violation of the Paperwork Reduction Act. Section 13(b) of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (the Act), as amended (7 U.S.C. 2022(b)), and SNAP regulations at 7 CFR 273.18 require State agencies to refer all delinquent SNAP debts to another Federal government entity as third-party disclosure reporting to U.S. Department of the Treasury (Treasury) for collection. The Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996 (DCIA) (P.L. 104-134), as amended by the Digital Accountability and Transparency Act of 2014 (P.L. 113-101), requires that these debts be referred to Treasury for collection when they are 120 days or more delinquent. The Treasury Offset Program (TOP), 31 CFR Part 285, intercepts and offsets payments such as Federal income tax refunds and Federal salaries and applies the offset to the delinquent debt. The amount or percentage that can be offset from any payment type is set by

Need and Use of the Information: The information is used to satisfy the requirements at Section 13(b) of the Act, as amended (7 U.S.C. 2022(b)), and SNAP regulations at 7 CFR 273.18, which requires State agencies to refer delinquent SNAP debts to Treasury for collection and notify debtors.

SNAP regulations at 7 CFR 273.18 require that State agencies establish, collect, and efficiently manage SNAP recipient claims within 120 days. Text at 7 CFR 273.18(n)(1) states that State agencies must submit debts to TOP when they are 180 days delinquent or more. However, DCIA updated this timeframe to require that eligible delinquent debts be referred to TOP within 120 days. While SNAP regulations have not yet been updated to reflect this change, States must comply with the 120-day timeframe. State agencies must submit files containing these delinquent debts to FNA weekly, which FNA then consolidates into one file and sends to

Treasury each week.

The information collected under this request is used to assist:

(1) State agencies to identify eligible debts to send to TOP, request addresses for TOP notices, send TOP notices to debtors, and give due process,

(2) FNS forward files to Treasury for action and to provide Federal-level due process, and to ensure that collections are received and applied to the appropriate debt,

(3) Treasury to intercept Federal payments and offset debts, and

(4) Debtors receive, read, and respond to TOP notices.

DESCRIPTION OF RESPONDENTS: State, Local, or Tribal Government.

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 272,214.

FREQUENCY OF RESPONSES: Reporting: On occasion; Quarterly; Annually; Weekly; Monthly.

TOTAL BURDEN HOURS: 46,490.

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