

repayment. The DD Form 2475, "DoD Educational Loan Repayment Program (LRP) Annual Application," is used to collect the necessary verification data from the lending institution.

Needs and Uses: Military Services are authorized to repay student loans for individuals who meet certain criteria and who enlist for active military service or enter Reserve service for a specified obligation period. Applicants who qualify for the program forward the DD Form 2475, "DoD Educational Loan Repayment Program (LRP) Annual Application," to their Military Service Personnel Office for processing. The Military Service Personnel Office verifies the information and fills in the loan repayment date, address and phone number. For the Reserve Components, the Military Service Personnel Office forwards the DD Form 2475 to the lending institution. For the active duty Service, the Service member mails the form to the lending institution. The lending institution confirms the loan status and certification and mails the form back to the Military Service Personnel Office.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit.

Annual Burden Hours (Including Recordkeeping): 11,250 hours.

Number of Respondents: 45,000.

Responses Per Respondent: 1.

Average Burden Per Response: 15 minutes.

Frequency: On occasion.

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 above address or call the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness) Reports Clearance Officer at (703) 614-8989.

Dated: March 8, 1996.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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Office of the Secretary

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs, DOD.

ACTION: Notice.

In compliance with section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for

Health Affairs announces the proposed reinstatement of a 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 the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by May 13, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to: The Pentagon, Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Health Affairs), Health Services Financing, Rm 3E349, 1200 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20310-1200; Attn: Gunther Zimmerman.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instrument, please write to the above address, or contact Mr. Gunther J. Zimmerman, on (703) 695-3331.

Title, Associated Form, and OMB Number: Contained Health Care Benefit Program Application, CHCBP Form #7524.

Needs and Uses: The information collection requirement is necessary to obtain and process enrollment on the CHCBP. Interested beneficiaries mail the application form and a check for the first ninety days of coverage to the TPA. The TPA reviews the application, accompanying proof of eligibility and premium check, and either accepts or rejects enrollment.

Affected Public: Former military service members and their dependents.

Annual Burden Hours: 500.

Number of Respondents: 2,000.

Responses Per Respondent: 1.

Average Burden Per Response: 15 minutes.

Frequency: Once per respondent.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Summary of Information Collection

Respondents are former Military Health Services System (MHSS) beneficiaries who have lost their entitlement the MHSS health care. The 1993 National Defense Authorization

Act enacted the Continued Health Care Benefit Program (CHCBP), thereby entitling certain former MHSS beneficiaries to temporary, transitional health care coverage. Eligible beneficiaries must complete an application form to provide eligibility and enrollment data to allow the Department's civilian Third Party Administrator (TPA) to process their application for enrollment. Information from the application (e.g., name, age, SSN, address) is entered into Defense Enrollment and Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS), which is the system that controls eligibility for MHSS entitlement.

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Patricia L. Toppings,

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AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs, DOD.

ACTION: Notice.

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DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by May 13, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to the Office of the Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services (OCHAMPUS), Fitzsimmons Army Medical Center, Office of Appeals and Hearings, ATTN: Mr. Don Wagner, Aurora, CO 80045-6900.