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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### 34 CFR Part 682

RIN 1840-AC21

#### Federal Family Education Loan Program

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**ACTION:** Final regulations.

**SUMMARY:** The Secretary amends the regulations governing the Federal Family Education Loan Program to add the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number to certain sections of the regulations. These sections contain information collection requirements approved by OMB. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The Secretary takes this action to inform the public that these requirements have been approved and affected parties must comply with them.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** These regulations are effective on July 1, 1996.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Patricia Newcombe, FFELP Policy Section Chief, Policy Development Division, Policy, Training, and Analysis Service, U.S. Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, SW., (Room 3053, ROB-3), Washington, DC 20202. Telephone (202) 708-8242. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Final regulations for the Federal Family Education Loan Program were published in the Federal Register on December 1, 1995 (60 FR 61750). Compliance with information collection requirements in certain sections of these regulations was delayed until those requirements were approved by OMB under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. OMB approved the information collection requirements in the regulations on November 30, 1995. The information collection requirements in these regulations will therefore become effective with all of the other provisions of the regulations on July 1, 1996.

## Waiver of Proposed Rulemaking

It is the practice of the Secretary to offer interested parties the opportunity to comment on proposed regulations. However, the publication of OMB control numbers is purely technical and does not establish substantive policy. Therefore, the Secretary has determined under 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(B), that public comment on the regulations is unnecessary and contrary to the public interest.

### List of Subjects in 34 CFR Part 682

Administrative practice and procedure, Colleges and universities, Education, Loan programs-education, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Student aid, Vocational education.

Dated: April 9, 1996.

David A. Longanecker,

*Assistant Secretary for Postsecondary Education.*

The Secretary amends Part 682 of Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations as follows:

### PART 682—FEDERAL FAMILY EDUCATION LOAN PROGRAM

1. The authority citation for Part 682 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1071 to 1087-2, unless otherwise noted.

#### § 682.207 [Amended]

2. Section 682.207 is amended by adding the OMB control number following the section to read as follows: “(Approved by the Office of Management and Budget under control number 1840-0538)”

§§ 682.209, 682.210, 682.211, 682.401, 682.412, 682.603, 682.604, 682.605 [Amended]

3. Sections 682.209, 682.210, 682.211, 682.401, 682.412, 682.603, 682.604, and 682.605 are amended by republishing the OMB control number following each section to read as follows: “(Approved by the Office of Management and Budget under control number 1840-0538)”

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## PANAMA CANAL COMMISSION

### 35 CFR Part 70

RIN 3207-AA37

#### Procedures for Changing Rules of Measurement or Rates of Tolls Technical Amendment

**AGENCY:** Panama Canal Commission.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** The Panama Canal Commission hereby amends its procedures for changing the rules of measurement and rates of tolls for use of the Panama Canal. The amendment simply removes the President from any formal participation in these procedures. This revision is mandated by a recent Congressional enactment which transferred the President's authority to approve such changes to the Commission. Those portions of the rule providing for notice and public hearing remain the same. Thus, the procedural rights of the users of the Panama Canal are unaffected by this amendment.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** April 17, 1996.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** John A. Mills, Secretary, Panama Canal Commission, 1825 I Street NW, Suite 1050, Washington, DC 20006-5402; Telephone: (202) 634-6441; Facsimile: (202) 634-6439; or John L. Haines, Jr., General Counsel, Panama Canal Commission, Unit 2300, APO AA 34011-2300; Telephone: 011-507-272-7511; Facsimile: 011-507-272-3748.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Panama Canal Commission hereby amends 35 CFR Part 70 in accordance with the statutory language contained in Subtitle B of Title XXXV of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1996, Public Law 104-106, which was signed into law on February 10, 1996. Sections 3527 and 3528 of that law amended sections 1601 and 1604 of the Panama Canal Act of 1979, 22 U.S.C. 3791 and 3794, by transferring final authority for effecting changes in the measurement rules and toll rates for use of the Canal from the President to the Canal Commission. This final rule merely implements this statutory mandate by deleting current sections 70.14 and 70.15 which set forth the President's now-terminated role in the toll-setting and measurement-rule procedure and amending section 70.16 to reflect Congress' placement of final authority for such changes with the Commission.

The Commission is proceeding with the issuance of a final rule instead of a proposed rule with a request for comments because the rule merely