

	Number of re- spondents	×	Frequency of response	×	Hours per re- sponse	=	Burden hours
	18,000		12		1		21,600

*Total Estimated Burden Hours:*  
21,600.

*Status:* New Collection.

*Contact:* Natalie Yee, HUD, (202) 708-1858 × 3500 Joseph F. Lackey, Jr., OMB, (202) 395-7316.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4443-N-03]

### Notice of Submission of Proposed Information Collection to OMB; Emergency Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The proposed information collection requirement described below has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for emergency review and approval, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

**DATES:** Comments Due Date: March 16, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments must be received within seven (7) days from the date of this Notice. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and should be sent to: Joseph F. Lackey, Jr., HUD Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Wayne Eddins, Reports Management Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, DC 20410, telephone (202) 708-0050. This is not a toll-free number. Copies of available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Mr. Eddins.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This Notice informs the public that the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has submitted to OMB, for emergency processing, an information collection package with respect to conducting an investigation of currently operating security contracts

awarded under the Public and Assisted Housing Drug Elimination Act of 1990. The investigation is required by Subtitle G, Section 587 of the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998. The investigation covers only housing agencies that own or operate more than 4,500 public housing dwelling units. For each such agency, the Secretary must: (1) Determine whether the contractors under these contracts have complied with all laws and regulations regarding prohibition of discrimination in hiring practices; (2) determine whether the security contracts were awarded in accordance with applicable laws and regulations; (3) determine how many security contracts were awarded under emergency contracting procedures; and (4) evaluate the effectiveness of the security contracts. The Secretary is required to submit the findings of the investigation to the Congress no later than April 21, 1999.

### Justification For Emergency Processing

Emergency processing of this request is necessary in order to complete the required investigation and compile the findings by the congressional deadline of April 21, 1999.

This Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affecting agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (2) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (3) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond. This Notice also lists the following information:

*Title of Proposal:* Public Housing Drug Elimination Program Security Contracts Review.

*OMB Control Number, if applicable:*

*Description of the need for the information and proposed use:* This information collection is needed to respond to the statutory requirement for an investigation of currently operating security contracts awarded under the Public and Assisted Housing Drug Elimination Act of 1990. The statutory requirement is contained in Subtitle G, Section 587 of the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998, Pub. L. 105-276.

*Agency form numbers, if applicable:* N/A.

*Members of affected public:* Nine housing agencies, and an estimated 13 private security companies (for profit or non-profit/resident operated).

*Estimation of the total numbers of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response:* Nine public housing agencies and an estimated 13 security companies will prepare responses to the questionnaire for a total of 148 hours preparation time. This will be a one-time report.

*Status of the proposed information collection:*

**Authority:** The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended.

Dated: March 2, 1999.

**David S. Cristy,**

*Director, IRM Policy and Management Division.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Office of the Secretary

#### American Samoa Economic Advisory Commission

**AGENCY:** Office of Insular Affairs, Interior.

**ACTION:** American Samoa Economic Advisory Commission—notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The American Samoa Economic Advisory Commission will conduct its first organizational meeting on Wednesday, March 24, 1999, in Washington, D.C. The meeting will convene at 3:00 p.m. at Room 7000 of the Main Interior Building, Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, N.W. The purpose of the meeting is to introduce the members and organize the commission, discuss its objectives and goals, and plan for future hearings. The meeting is open to the public.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Nikolao I. Paula, Jr., Office of Insular Affairs, Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, N.W., MS 4328, Washington, D.C. 20240, (202) 206-6816.

Dated: March 3, 1999.

**Allen P. Stayman,**

*Director, Office of Insular Affairs.*

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