

as sensitive procedural, budgetary, and personnel issues, as well as sensitive foreign policy issues relating to potential options in the U.S. international broadcasting field. This meeting is closed because if open it likely would either disclose matters that would be properly classified to be kept secret in the interest of foreign policy under the appropriate executive order (5 U.S.C. 552b.(c)(1)) or would disclose information the premature disclosure of which would be likely to significantly frustrate implementation of a proposed agency action. (5 U.S.C. 552b.(c)(9)(B)) In addition, part of the discussion will relate solely to the internal personnel and organizational issues of the BBG or the International Broadcasting Bureau. (5 U.S.C. 552b.(c)(2) and (6))

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Persons interested in obtaining more information should contact either Brenda Hardnett or Carol Booker at (202) 203-4545.

Dated: August 29, 2005.

Carol Booker,

Legal Counsel

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting of the Ohio Advisory Committee

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights that a conference call of the Ohio Advisory Committee will convene at 1 p.m. and adjourn at 3 p.m., Friday, September 16, 2005. The purpose of the conference call is to provide orientation to new members, approve the report "Hate Crime in Ohio Revisited," and plan future activities.

This conference call is available to the public through the following call-in number: 1-800-473-7796, contact name: Lynwood Battle. Any interested member of the public may call this number and listen to the meeting. Callers can expect to incur charges for calls not initiated using the supplied call-in number or over wireless lines and the Commission will not refund any incurred charges. Callers will incur no charge for calls using the call-in number over land-line connections. Persons with hearing impairments may also follow the proceedings by first calling the Federal Relay Service at 1-800-977-8339 and providing the Service with the conference call number and contact name.

To ensure that the Commission secures an appropriate number of lines for the public, persons are asked to register by contacting Constance M. Davis, Regional Director of the Midwestern Regional Office, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights at (312) 353-8311, (TDD 312-353-8362), by 4 p.m. on Wednesday, September 14, 2005.

The meeting will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the Commission.

Dated at Washington, DC, August 25, 2005.

Ivy L. Davis,

*Acting Chief, Regional Programs
Coordination Unit.*

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting of the South Carolina Advisory Committee

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, that a conference call of the South Carolina Advisory Committee will convene at 2 p.m. (e.s.t.) and adjourn at 3:30 a.m. (e.s.t.) on Thursday, September 22, 2005. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the Committee's work on its project, Unitary Status of School Districts in South Carolina.

This conference call is available to the public through the following call-in number: 800-473-7795, conference contact name Peter Minarik. Any interested member of the public may call this number and listen to the meeting. Callers can expect to incur charges for calls not initiated using the supplied call-in number or over wireless lines and the Commission will not refund any incurred charges. Callers will incur no charge for calls using the call-in number over land-line connections. Persons with hearing impairments may also follow the proceedings by first calling the Federal Relay Service at 1-800-977-8339 and providing the Service with the conference call number and contact name, Peter Minarik.

To ensure that the Commission secures an appropriate number of lines for the public, persons are asked to register by contacting Peter Minarik, Regional Director, Southern Regional Office, (404) 562-7000 (TDD/TTY 404-562-7004), by Tuesday, September 20, 2005.

The meeting will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the Commission.

Dated at Washington, DC, August 29, 2005.

Ivy Davis,

*Acting Chief, Regional Programs
Coordination Unit.*

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

**Submission for OMB Review;
Comment Request**

The Department of Commerce has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Agency: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

Title: Pacific Islands Region Seabird-Fisheries Side-setting Survey.

Form Number(s): None.

OMB Approval Number: None.

Type of Request: Regular submission.

Burden Hours: 12.

Number of Respondents: 24.

Average Hours Per Response: 30 minutes.

Needs and Uses: The Western Pacific Fishery Management Council is proposing mitigation measures to reduce interactions between seabirds and the Hawaii-based pelagic longline fishery, by requiring longline vessel operators to use either side-setting (setting the longline fishing gear from the side of the vessel rather than the stern) or the current suite of seabird mitigation measures, plus tori lines. Although side-setting shows to be the most promising mitigation technique in terms of effectiveness, additional information is needed.

Vessel operators currently voluntarily side-setting will be asked to provide data on the operational benefits of side-setting as well as the effectiveness of side-setting as a seabird deterrent. This collection of information is intended to provide NMFS with information as to the cost, availability of equipment, and operational use of equipment, required for side-setting. This information will be used to determine whether it is feasible and cost effective for Hawaii longline vessels to convert to side setting, and to formulate specifications for vessels side-setting.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations; individuals or households.

Frequency: One time only.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

OMB Desk Officer: David Rostker, (202) 395-3897.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by

calling or writing Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482-0266, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dHynek@doc.gov).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to David Rostker, OMB Desk Officer, FAX number (202) 395-7285, or David_Rostker@omb.eop.gov.

Dated: August 30, 2005.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Agency: National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST).

Title: National Voluntary Conformity Assessment System Evaluation (NVCASE) Program.

Form Number(s): None.

OMB Approval Number: 0693-0019.

Type of Request: Regular submission.

Burden Hours: 30.

Number of Respondents: 10.

Average Hours Per Response: 3.

Needs and Uses: This information is required by NIST to evaluate laboratories, certification bodies, quality system registrars, and accreditation entities that apply for recognition to provide services to U.S. manufacturers. The information collected is essential to enable NIST to thoroughly evaluate applicant's conformance with all the requirements of 15 CFR part 286. The manufacturers' products must satisfy mandatory regulations of the importing country prior to import.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations; not-for-profit institutions.

Frequency: Annually.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to obtain or retain benefits.

OMB Desk Officer: David Rostker, (202) 395-3897.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Diana Hynek,

Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482-0266, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dHynek@doc.gov).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to Jacqueline Zeiher, OMB Desk Officer, FAX number (202) 395-5806, or JZeiher@omb.eop.gov.

Dated: August 30, 2005.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Census Bureau

Quarterly Survey of the Finances of Public-Employee Retirement Systems

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before November 7, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at DHynek@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Ellen Thompson, Chief, Employment Branch, Governments Division, U.S. Census Bureau, 4700 Silver Hill Road, Stop 6800, Washington, DC 20233-6800, (301-763-1531) (or via the Internet at ellen.ann.thompson@census.gov).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

I. Abstract

The Census Bureau plans to request an extension for the quarterly retirement

survey. The quarterly survey was initiated by the Census Bureau in 1968 at the request of both the Council of Economic Advisers and the Federal Reserve Board. It gathers data on the assets of the 100 largest state and local government public-employee retirement systems. These systems hold over \$2 trillion in assets, which represent approximately 90 percent of all state and local government public-employee retirement system assets.

These important data are used by the Federal Reserve Board to track the public sector portion of the flow of funds accounts. The Bureau of Economic Analysis uses the data on corporate stock holdings to estimate dividends received by state and local government public-employee retirement systems. These estimates, in turn are used as a component in developing the national income and product accounts.

II. Method of Collection

Canvass methodology consists of a mail out/mail back questionnaire. Responses are screened manually, then put into an electronic format. No statistical methods are used to calculate the data.

Respondents may choose to report their data over our Internet site. In addition to reporting current quarter data on the Internet, respondents may report for the first time for the previous two quarters or submit revisions to their previously submitted data if needed.

In those instances when we are not able to obtain a response, estimates are made for nonrespondents based on historical data for that same system.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0607-0143.

Form Number: F-10.

Type of Review: Regular.

Affected Public: State and local government retirement systems.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 100.

Estimated Time Per Response: 45 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 300.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: \$5,934.

Note.—Based upon the average hourly pay of \$19.78 for full-time employment for the financial administration function for state government employees in the 2004 Survey of State and Local Government Employment.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

Legal Authority: Title 13 U.S.C., Section 182.

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance