

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for OMB Review; Consumer Price Index Housing Survey**

ACTION: Notice of availability; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor (DOL) is submitting this Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS)-sponsored information collection request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA). Public comments on the ICR are invited.

DATES: The OMB will consider all written comments that the agency receives on or before April 7, 2025.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to 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.

Comments are invited on: (1) whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency’s estimates of the burden and cost of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nicole Bouchet by telephone at 202–693–0213, or by email at DOL_PRA_PUBLIC@dol.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a measure of the average change over time in the prices paid by consumers for a market basket of consumer goods and services. Each month, BLS data collectors called economic assistants visit or call thousands of retail stores, service establishments, rental units, and doctors’ offices, all over the United States to obtain information on the prices of the thousands of items used to track and measure price changes in the CPI. The collection of price data from rental units is essential for the timely

and accurate calculation of the shelter component of the CPI. The CPI is then widely used as a measure of inflation, indicator of the effectiveness of government economic policy, deflator for other economic series and as a means of adjusting dollar values. For additional substantive information about this ICR, see the related notice published in the **Federal Register** on October 30, 2024 (89 FRN 86373).

This information collection is subject to the PRA. A Federal agency generally cannot conduct or sponsor a collection of information, and the public is generally not required to respond to an information collection, unless the OMB approves it and displays a currently valid OMB Control Number. In addition, notwithstanding any other provisions of law, no person shall generally be subject to penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information that does not display a valid OMB Control Number. See 5 CFR 1320.5(a) and 1320.6.

Agency: DOL–BLS.

Title of Collection: Consumer Price Index Housing Survey.

OMB Control Number: 1220–0163.

Affected Public: Individuals or Households.

Total Estimated Number of Respondents: 74,642.

Total Estimated Number of Responses: 107,323.

Total Estimated Annual Time Burden: 9,976 hours.

Total Estimated Annual Other Costs Burden: \$0.

(Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3507(a)(1)(D))

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Bloodborne Pathogens Standard**

ACTION: Notice of availability; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor (DOL) is submitting this Occupational Safety & Health Administration (OSHA)-sponsored information collection request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA). Public comments on the ICR are invited.

DATES: The OMB will consider all written comments that the agency receives on or before April 7, 2025.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to 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.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nicole Bouchet by telephone at 202–693–0213, or by email at DOL_PRA_PUBLIC@dol.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Bloodborne Pathogen Standard is an occupational safety and health standard that prevents occupational exposure to bloodborne pathogens. The standard’s information collection requirements are essential components that protect workers from occupational exposure. The information is used by employers and workers to implement the protection required by the Standard. OSHA compliance officers will use some of the information in their enforcement of the Standard. For additional substantive information about this ICR, see the related notice published in the **Federal Register** on October 1, 2024 (89 FR 79965).

Comments are invited on: (1) whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency’s estimates of the burden and cost of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

This information collection is subject to the PRA. A Federal agency generally cannot conduct or sponsor a collection of information, and the public is generally not required to respond to an information collection, unless the OMB approves it and displays a currently valid OMB Control Number. In addition, notwithstanding any other provisions of law, no person shall generally be subject to penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information that does not display a valid OMB Control Number. See 5 CFR 1320.5(a) and 1320.6.

DOL seeks PRA authorization for this information collection for three (3) years. OMB authorization for an ICR cannot be for more than three (3) years without renewal. The DOL notes that

information collection requirements submitted to the OMB for existing ICRs receive a month-to-month extension while they undergo review.

Agency: DOL–OSHA.

Title of Collection: Bloodborne Pathogens Standard.

OMB Control Number: 1218–0180.

Affected Public: Private Sector—Businesses or other for-profits.

Total Estimated Number of

Respondents: 793,728.

Total Estimated Number of

Responses: 43,856,212.

Total Estimated Annual Time Burden: 7,870,142 hours.

Total Estimated Annual Other Costs Burden: \$116,568,859.

(Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3507(a)(1)(D))

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Office of Workers' Compensation Programs

[OMB Control No. 1240–0053]

Proposed Extension Without Change of a Currently Approved Collection; Request for Electronic Service Orders—Waiver of Certified Mail Requirement (LS–801, LS–802)

AGENCY: Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, Division of Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation (DLHWC), Department of Labor.

ACTION: Request for public comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor (DOL), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a pre-clearance request for comment to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. This request helps to ensure that: requested data can be provided in the desired format; reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized; collection instruments are clearly understood; and the impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. Currently, DLHWC is soliciting comments on the information collection for “Waiver of Service by Registered or Certified Mail for Employers and/or Insurance Carriers” (LS–801) and “Waiver of Service by Registered or Certified Mail for Claimants and Authorized Representatives” (LS–802).

DATES: Consideration will be given to all written comments received by May 6, 2025.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comment as follows. Please note that late, untimely filed comments will not be considered.

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <https://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments for WCPO–2025–0001. Comments submitted electronically, including attachments, to <https://www.regulations.gov> will be posted to the docket, with no changes. Because your comment will be made public, you are responsible for ensuring that your comment does not include any confidential information that you or a third party may not wish to be posted, such as your or anyone else's Social Security number or confidential business information.

- If your comment includes confidential information that you do not wish to be made available to the public, submit the comment as a written/paper submission.

Written/Paper Submissions: Submit written/paper submissions in the following way:

- *Mail/Hand Delivery:* Mail or visit DOL–DLHWC, Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, 200 Constitution Avenue NW, Room S–3323, Washington, DC 20210.

- DLHWC will post your comment as well as any attachments, except for information submitted and marked as confidential, in the docket at <https://www.regulations.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Contact Anjanette Suggs, Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, Division of Federal Employees', Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation, OWCP/DFELHWC at suggs.anjanette@dol.gov (email); or (202) 354–9660.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The Office of Workers' Compensation Programs administers the Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act (LHWCA) (33 U.S.C. 901 *et seq.*), <http://www.dol.gov/owcp/dlhwc/lhwca.htm>; and its extensions: the Non-appropriated Fund Instrumentalities Act, <http://www.dol.gov/owcp/dlhwc/nfia.htm>; the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act, <http://www.dol.gov/owcp/dlhwc/oocsla.htm> and the Defense Base Act, <http://www.dol.gov/owcp/dlhwc/dba.htm>. These Acts provide compensation benefits to injured workers. The Secretary of Labor is authorized to make rules and

regulations to administer the Act and its extensions. 33 U.S.C. 939.

The Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act (LHWCA), at 33 U.S.C. 919(e), requires that any order rejecting or making an LHWCA award (a compensation order) be filed in the appropriate district director's office of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP), and that copies be sent by registered or certified mail to the claimant and the employer. The implementing regulations at 20 CFR 702.349 require the district director to serve the compensation order on the parties and their representatives by certified mail. The compensation order notifies Employers/Carriers that payment of LHWCA compensation is due within 10 days of filing. If compensation is not paid within that time frame, an additional 20% in compensation must be paid [see LHWCA sec. 914(f)].

Given the short time frame within which Employers/Carriers must issue payments under compensation orders, many industry stakeholders prefer email over certified mail because it is a more expedient method. Thus, the Department's rules allow parties and their representatives to waive their statutory and regulatory rights to receive compensation orders by registered or certified mail and instead to receive them by email. See 20 CFR 702.349(b). Because this waiver is of a statutory and regulatory right, it is formalized in a uniform manner in a clear writing that reflects a knowing relinquishment of rights.

II. Desired Focus of Comments

OWCP is soliciting comments concerning the proposed information collection related to the Request for Electronic Service Orders—Waiver of Certified Mail Requirement. OWCP/DLHWC is particularly interested in comments that:

- Evaluate whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information has practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of OWCP/DLHWC's estimate of the burden related to the information collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used in the estimate;
- Suggest methods to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the information collection on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of