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Office of Postsecondary Education

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Title: FIPSE Comprehensive Program Grant Application (1890-0001) (JS).

Frequency: Annually.

Affected Public: Not-for-profit institutions (primary).

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 1650.

Burden Hours: 19500.

Abstract: The Comprehensive program is a discretionary grant award program of the fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education (FIPSE). Applications are submitted in two stages—preliminary and final. The program supports innovative reform projects that hold promise as models for the resolution of important issues and problems in postsecondary education. Grants made under this program are expected to contribute new information in educational practice that can be shared with others. As its name suggests, the Comprehensive program may support activities in any discipline, program, or student service. Nonprofit institutions and organizations offering postsecondary education programs are eligible applicants. The Comprehensive Program has established a record of meaningful and lasting improvement to access, retention, and quality in postsecondary education.

This information collection is being submitted under the Streamlined Clearance Process for Discretionary Grant Information Collections (1890-0001). Therefore, the 30-day public comment period notice will be the only

public comment notice published for this information collection.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services

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Special Education: State Program Improvement Grants Program Notice Inviting Applications for New Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 2002

Purpose of Program: The purpose of this program, authorized under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Amendments of 1997, is to assist State educational agencies and their partners referred to in section 652(b) of IDEA with reforming and improving their systems for providing educational, early intervention, and transitional services, including their systems for professional development, technical assistance, and dissemination of knowledge about best practices, to improve results for children with disabilities.

Eligible Applicants: A State educational agency of one of the 50 States, the District of Columbia, or the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico or an outlying area (United States Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of the Northern

Mariana Islands) that is not a current grantee.

Applications Available: May 27, 2003.
Deadline for Transmittal of Applications: July 11, 2003.

Deadline for Intergovernmental Review: September 12, 2003.

Estimated Available Funds: \$11 million.

Estimated Range of Awards: Awards will be not less than \$530,000, nor more than \$2,199,000 in the case of the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico; and not less than \$84,800, in the case of an outlying area. Pursuant to subsection 655(b) the Secretary has increased the maximum award amount above the maximum award amount for the FY 2002 competition to account for inflation.

Note: Consistent with EDGAR 34 CFR 75.104(b), we will reject any application that proposes a project funding level for any year that exceeds the stated maximum award amount for that year.

We will set the amount of each grant after considering:

(1) The amount of funds available for making the grants;

(2) The relative population of the State or outlying area; and

(3) The types of activities proposed by the State or outlying area.

Estimated Average Size of Awards: \$1,000,000.

Estimated Number of Awards: 10.

Note: The Department of Education is not bound by the estimated size and number of awards in this notice.

Project Period: Not less than one year and not more than five years.

Page Limits: Part III of each application submitted under a priority in this notice, the application narrative, is where an applicant addresses the selection criteria that are used by reviewers in evaluating the application. You must limit part III to the equivalent of no more than 100 pages, using the following standards:

- A "page" is 8.5" x 11" (on one side only) with one-inch margins (top, bottom, and sides).

- Double-space (no more than three lines per vertical inch) all text in the application narrative, including titles, headings, footnotes, quotations, and captions, as well as all text in charts, tables, figures, and graphs.

- If using a proportional computer font, use no smaller than a 12-point font, and an average character density no greater than 18 characters per inch. If using a nonproportional font or a typewriter, do not use more than 12 characters per inch.

The page limit does not apply to part I—the cover sheet; part II—the budget