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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Office of Justice Programs

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comments Requested

ACTION: 60-day emergency notice of information collection under review: reinstatement, with change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired, report of public safety officer's permanent and total disability.

The U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance has submitted the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with emergency review procedures of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. OMB approval has been requested by October 31, 2003. The proposed information collection is published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. If granted, the emergency approval is only valid for 180 days. Comments should be directed to OMB, Office of Information and Regulation Affairs, Attention: Department of Justice Desk Officer, Washington, DC 20503. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for 60 days until December 22, 2003.

During the first 60 days of this same review period, a regular review of this information collection is also being undertaken. All comments, suggestions, or questions regarding additional information, including requests for copies of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions, should be directed to Sharon Williams at SharonW@ojp.usdoj.gov or via facsimile at (202) 307-0036.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information are encouraged. Comments should address one or more of the following four points:

(1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility.

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the

proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.

(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.

(4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology (e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses).

Overview of this information:

(1) Type of information collection: Reinstatement, with Change, of a Previously Approved Collection for which Approval has Expired.

(2) The title of the form/collection: Report of Public Safety Officer's Permanent and Total Disability.

(3) The agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the department sponsoring the collection: Form Number: OJP ADMIN FORM 3650/7. Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, Department of Justice.

(4) Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract: Primary: Individuals or Households. Other: Federal, State, Local, or Tribal Government. The Report of Public Safety Officer's Permanent and Total Disability form is required to carry out the functions of the Public Safety Officers' Benefits Program. The information collected is pursuant to the Public Safety Officers' Benefits Act of 1976. Benefits are provided to claimant public safety officers found to have been permanently and totally disabled as the direct result of a catastrophic line of duty injury sustained on or after November 29, 1990. The form includes information necessary to determine that the circumstances that lead to the disability meet the requirements prescribed in 42 U.S.C. 3796.

(5) An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond/reply: It is estimated that each of the 45 respondents will complete the application in approximately 2 hours.

(6) An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection: The estimated total public burden associated with this application is 90 hours.

If additional information is required contact: Brenda E. Dyer, Deputy Clearance Officer, Planning and Policy Staff, Justice Management Division, U.S. Department of Justice, Patrick Henry Building, 601 D Street, NW., Suite 1600, Washington, DC 20530.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employee Benefits Security Administration

[Application Nos. D-08295 and D-10365]

Proposed Class Exemption To Permit Certain Loans of Securities by Employee Benefit Plans

AGENCY: Department of Labor.

ACTION: Notice of proposed amendment to PTE 81-6 and proposed restatement and redesignation of PTE 82-63.

SUMMARY: This document contains a notice of pendency before the Department of Labor (the Department) of a proposed amendment to PTE 81-6 and a proposed restatement of PTE 82-63. If granted, the proposed exemption would amend and replace Prohibited Transaction Exemption (PTE) 81-6 (46 FR 7527, January 23, 1981) which exempts the lending of securities by employee benefit plans to certain banks and broker-dealers, and would replace PTE 82-63 (47 FR 14804, April 6, 1982), which exempts certain compensation arrangements for the provision of securities lending services by a plan fiduciary to an employee benefit plan. The class exemption proposed in this notice, if granted, would incorporate PTEs 81-6 and 82-63 and expand those class exemptions to additional parties, subject to modified conditions. If granted, the proposed exemption would affect participants and beneficiaries of employee benefit plans, persons who lend securities on behalf of such plans, and parties in interest who engage in securities lending transactions with such plans.

DATES: Written comments and requests for a public hearing must be received by the Department on or before December 8, 2003. The replacement exemption and the revocation of PTEs 81-6 and 82-63 would be effective 60 days following publication of the final grant.

ADDRESSES: All written comments and requests for a public hearing (preferable three copies) should be addressed to: U.S. Department of Labor, Office of Exemption Determinations, Employee Benefits Security Administration, Room N-5649, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210 (Attention: Application No. D-10365.) Interested