

Estimated Burden Hours Per Recordkeeper: 30 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion, weekly, monthly, quarterly, semi-annually, annually, biennially.

Estimated Total Recordkeeping Burden: 278,622 hours.

OMB Number: 1545–1695.

Revenue Ruling Number: Revenue Ruling 2000–33.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Deferred Compensation Plans of State and Local Governments and Tax-Exempt Organizations.

Description: This revenue ruling specifies the conditions the plan sponsor should meet to automatically defer a certain percentage of its employees' compensation into their accounts in an eligible deferred compensation plan.

Respondents: Not-for-profit institutions, State, local or tribal government.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 500.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent: 1 hour.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Total Reporting Burden: 500 hours.

OMB Number: 1545–1696.

Form Number: IRS Form 8872.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Political Organization Report of Contributions and Expenditures.

Description: Internal Revenue Code section 527(j) requires certain political organizations to report certain contributions received and expenditures made after July 1, 2000. Every section 527 political organization that accepts a contribution or makes an expenditure for an exempt function during the calendar year must file Form 8872, except for: A political organization that is not required to file Form 8871, or a State or local committee of a political party or political committee of a State or local candidate.

Respondents: Not-for-profit institutions.

Estimated Number of Respondents/Recordkeepers: 10,000.

Estimated Burden Hours Respondent/Recordkeeper:

Recordkeeping	9 hr., 48 min.
Learning about the law or the form.	24 min.
Preparing and sending the form to the IRS.	34 min.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.
Estimated Total Reporting Burden: 431,200 hours.

OMB Number: 1545–1705.

Regulation Project Number: REG–246249–96 Final.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Information Reporting

Requirements for Certain Payments Made on Behalf of Another Person, Payment to Joint Payees, and Payments of Cross Proceeds From Sales Involving Investment Advisers.

Description: The regulation under section 6041 clarifies who is the payee for information reporting purposes if a check or other instrument is made payable to joint payees, provides information reporting requirements for escrow agents and other persons making payments on behalf of another person, and clarifies that the amount to be reported as paid is the gross amount of the payment. The regulation also removes investment advisers from the list of exempt recipients for information reporting purposes under section 6045.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1.

Estimated Burden Hours Respondent: 1 hour.

Frequency of Response: Annually.

Estimated Total Reporting Burden: 1 hour.

OMB Number: 1545–1707.

Regulation Project Number: REG–106511–00 NPRM.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Estate Tax; Form 706, Extension to File.

Description: This document contains proposed regulations relating to the filing of an application for an automatic 6-month extension of time to file an estate tax return (Form 706). The proposed regulations provide guidance to executors of decedents' estates on how to properly file the application for the automatic extension.

Respondents: Individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1.

Estimated Burden Hours Respondent: 1 hour.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Total Reporting Burden: 1 hour.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Fiscal Service

Surety Companies Acceptable on Federal Bonds: Liquidation—the Home Insurance Company

AGENCY: Financial Management Service, Fiscal Service, Department of the Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Liquidation of an insurance company formerly certified by this Department as an acceptable surety/reinsurer on Federal bonds.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Surety Bond Branch at (202) 874–6850.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Home Insurance Company, a New Hampshire company, formerly held a Certificate of Authority as an acceptable surety on Federal bonds and was last listed as such at 59 FR 34161, July 1, 1994. The Company's authority was terminated by the Department of the Treasury effective June 30, 1995. Notice of the termination was published in the **Federal Register** of August 23, 1995, on page 43839.

On May 8, 2003, upon a petition by the Commissioner of Insurance for the State of New Hampshire, the Superior Court of New Hampshire issued an Order of Liquidation with respect to The Home Insurance Company. Paula T. Rogers, the Commissioner of Insurance for the State of New Hampshire, was appointed as the Liquidator. All persons having claims against The Home Insurance Company must file their claims by June 13, 2004, or be barred from sharing in the distribution of assets.

All claims must be filed in writing and shall set forth the amount of the claim, the facts upon which the claim is based, any priorities asserted, and any other pertinent facts to substantiate the claim. Federal Agencies should assert claim priority status under 31 U.S.C. 3713, and send a copy of their claim, in writing, to: Department of Justice, Civil Division, Commercial Litigation Branch, P.O. Box 875, Ben Franklin Station, Washington, DC 20044–0875, Attn: Mr. Randy Harwell, Attorney.

The above office will consolidate and file any and all claims against The Home Insurance Company, on behalf of the United States Government. Any questions concerning filing of claims may be directed to Mr. Harwell at (202) 307–0180.

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