

(a) Whether the proposed collections of information are necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility;

(b) The accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information;

(c) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(d) Ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**Proposed Project: Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant Synar Report Format, FFY 2005–2007**

(OMB No. 0930–0222; Revision)—Section 1926 of the Public Health Service Act [42 U.S.C. 300x–26] stipulates that funding Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment (SAPT) Block Grant agreements for alcohol and drug abuse programs for fiscal year 1994 and subsequent fiscal years require States to have in effect a law providing that it is unlawful for any manufacturer, retailer, or distributor of tobacco products to sell or distribute any such product to any individual under the age of 18. This section further requires that States

conduct annually, random, unannounced inspections to ensure compliance with the law; that the State submit annually a report describing the results of the inspections, and the activities carried out by the State to enforce the required law, the success the State has achieved in reducing the availability of tobacco products to individuals under the age of 18, and the strategies to be utilized by the State for enforcing such law during the fiscal year for which the grant is sought.

Before making an award to a State under the SAPT Block Grant, the Secretary must make a determination that the State has maintained compliance with these requirements. If a determination is made that the State is not in compliance, penalties shall be applied. Penalties range from 10 percent of the Block Grant in applicable year 1 to 40 percent in applicable year 4 and subsequent years. Respondents include the 50 States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Palau, Micronesia, and the Marshall Islands.

Regulations that implement this legislation are at 45 CFR 96.130, are approved by OMB under control number 0930–0163, and require that

each State submit an annual Synar report to the Secretary describing their progress in complying with section 1926 of the PHS Act. The Synar report, due December 31 following the fiscal year for which the State is reporting, describes the results of the inspections and the activities carried out by the State to enforce the required law; the success the State has achieved in reducing the availability of tobacco products to individuals under the age of 18; and the strategies to be utilized by the State for enforcing such law during the fiscal year for which the grant is sought.

SAMHSA's Center for Substance Abuse Prevention will request OMB approval of revisions to the current report format associated with section 1926 (42 U.S.C. 300x–26). The report format is changing significantly. Any changes in either formatting or content are being made to simplify the reporting process for the States and to clarify the information as the States report it; both outcomes will facilitate consistent, credible, and efficient monitoring of Synar compliance across the States and will reduce the reporting burden by the States. All of the information required in the new report format is already being collected and reported by the States.

**ANNUAL REPORTING BURDEN**

45 CFR citation	Number of respondents <sup>1</sup>	Responses per respondent	Hours per response	Total hours burden
Annual Report (Section I—States and Territories) 96.130(e)(1–3) .....	59	1	15	885
State Plan (Section II—States and Territories) 96.130(e)(4, 5) .....	59	1	3	177
196.130(g) .....	59	1	1	59
Total .....	59	.....	18	1,121

<sup>1</sup> Red Lake Indian Tribe is not subject to tobacco requirements.

Send comments to Nancy Pearce, SAMHSA Reports Clearance Officer, Room 16–105, Parklawn Building, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

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**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY**

**Citizenship and Immigration Services**

**Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comments Requested.**

**ACTION:** 30-Day Notice of Information Collection Under Review: Memorandum of Understanding to Participate in an Employment Eligibility Confirmation Pilot Program (File No. OMB–18).

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS), U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (CIS) has submitted the following collection request to the Office of Management and

Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The proposed information collection is published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. This proposed information collection was previously published in the **Federal Register** at 68 FR 54912 on September 19, 2003, allowing for a 60-day public review and comment period. No comments were received by the DHS.

A second notice was published in the **Federal Register** at 68 FR 67464 on December 2, 2003, allowing for an additional 30 days for public review and comment. The second notice incorrectly listed the Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) as the DHS