

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**Office of the Secretary**

ZRIN 1290-ZA02

**Guidance for Executive Order 13673:
“Fair Pay and Safe Workplaces”****AGENCY:** Department of Labor.**ACTION:** Proposed guidance; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: On May 28, 2015, the Department of Labor (DOL) published proposed guidance to assist federal agencies and the contracting community in implementing Executive Order 13673, “Fair Pay and Safe Workplaces,” which is designed to improve contractor compliance with labor laws and increase efficiency and cost savings in Federal contracting. The deadline for submitting comments is being extended from July 27, 2015, to August 11, 2015, to provide additional time for interested parties to provide comments on the DOL guidance. The Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), which on May 28, 2015, jointly published a proposed rule implementing Executive Order 13673, are similarly extending the comment period for their proposed rule by 15 days to August 11, 2015.

If you have already commented on the proposed guidance you do not need to resubmit your comment. Should you choose to do so, you can submit additional or supplemental comments. DOL will consider all comments received from the date of publication of the proposed guidance through the close of the extended comment period.

DATES: The comment period for the Proposed Guidance published on May 28, 2015, at 80 FR 30573, scheduled to close on July 27, 2015, is extended until August 11, 2015.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by ZRIN 1290-ZA02, by either of the following methods:

Electronic comments: Comments may be sent via <http://www.regulations.gov>, a Federal E-Government Web site that allows the public to find, review, and submit comments on documents that agencies have published in the **Federal Register** and that are open for comment. Simply type in “guidance on fair pay and safe workplaces” (in quotes) in the Comment or Submission search box, click Go, and follow the instructions for submitting comments.

Mail: Address written submissions to Tiffany Jones, U.S. Department of Labor, Room S-2312, 200 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20210.

Instructions: Please submit only one copy of your comments by only one method. All submissions must include the agency name and ZRIN, identified above, for this document. Please be advised that comments received will become a matter of public record and will be posted without change to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided. Comments that are mailed must be received by the date indicated for consideration.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kathleen E. Franks, Director, Office of Regulatory and Programmatic Policy, U.S. Department of Labor, Room S-2312, 200 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20210; telephone: (202) 693-5959. Copies of the proposed guidance may be obtained in alternative formats (large print, Braille, audio tape or disc), upon request, by calling (202) 693-5959. TTY/TDD callers may dial toll-free [1-877-889-5627] to obtain information or request materials in alternative formats.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On May 28, 2015, DOL published proposed guidance in the **Federal Register** at 80 FR 30573. DOL was to receive comments on this guidance on or before July 27, 2015.

DOL has determined that it is appropriate to provide an additional 15-day period for comment on the guidance, after considering requests to extend the comment period.

To allow the public sufficient time to review and comment on the proposed guidance, DOL is extending the comment period until August 11, 2015.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**Bureau of Labor Statistics****Proposed Collection, Comment Request****ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a pre-clearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995

(PRA95) [44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)]. This program 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. The Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) is soliciting comments concerning the proposed extension of the “Consumer Price Index Housing Survey.” A copy of the proposed information collection request (ICR) can be obtained by contacting the individual listed below in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice on or before September 14, 2015.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to Nora Kincaid, BLS Clearance Officer, Division of Management Systems, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Room 4080, 2 Massachusetts Avenue NE., Washington, DC 20212. Written comments also may be transmitted by fax to 202-691-5111 (this is not a toll free number).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nora Kincaid, BLS Clearance Officer, telephone 202-691-7628 (this is not a toll free number). (See Addresses Section.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**I. Background**

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is the timeliest instrument compiled by the U.S. Government that is designed to measure changes in the purchasing power of the urban consumer’s dollar. The CPI is used most widely as a measure of inflation, and is used in the formulation of economic policy. It also is used as a deflator of other economic series, that is, to adjust other series for price changes and to translate these series into inflation-free dollars.

II. Current Action

Office of Management and Budget clearance is being sought for the CPI Housing Survey. The continuation of the collection of housing rents for the CPI is essential since the CPI is the nation’s chief source of information on retail price changes. If the information on rents were not collected, Federal fiscal and monetary policies would be hampered due to the lack of information on price changes in a major sector of the U.S. economy, and estimates of the real value of the Gross Domestic Product could not be made. The consequences to both the Federal and private sectors would be far reaching and would have