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Semiannual Unified Regulatory Agenda

AGENCY: Social Security Administration.

ACTION: Semiannual regulatory agenda.

SUMMARY: Executive Order (EO) 12866 (as amended by EO 13258) entitled Regulatory Planning and Review, issued September 30, 1993, and the Regulatory Flexibility Act of 1980 (Pub. L. 96-354) requires each Federal agency to publish semiannually a brief description of all regulatory actions under development or review, expected to be under development or review for the next 12 months, or completed since the previous publication of the agenda. Our last agenda of regulations was published April 30, 2007.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information about a specific regulatory action, contact the person identified as the agency contact for that action. Comments or inquiries of a general nature should be directed to Paul Kryglik, Acting Regulations

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Social Security Administration (SSA) administers the retirement, survivors, and disability insurance programs under title II of the Social Security Act (the Act), the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) program under title XVI of the Act, and Special Benefits to Certain World War II Veterans under title VIII of the Act. Our regulations generally do not impose burdens on the private sector or on State, local, or tribal governments. Our regulations document the rules under which we make eligibility determinations and set forth both the responsibilities of the Agency toward the public and beneficiaries' rights and responsibilities under the programs we administer.

SSA's regulatory efforts can be placed into one of the following three categories: (1) Legislative implementation; (2) program changes to improve service to the public; and (3) improvements or clarifications to enhance effective stewardship of programs. Our regulatory agenda includes changes to reflect provisions of

the Social Security Protection Act of 2004 (Pub. L. 108-203).

Also included in our agenda are items that will amend Ticket to Work regulations originally published in December 2001. The proposed rules, published in September 2005 and August 2007, would expand beneficiary eligibility, increase beneficiary choice and flexibility of services available from both vocational rehabilitation agencies and employment networks, and modify the payment system to employment networks. Final regulations are expected to be published in 2008.

For this edition of SSA's regulatory agenda, the most important significant regulatory actions and a Statement of Regulatory Priorities are included in the Regulatory Plan, which appears in both the online Unified Agenda and in part II of the **Federal Register** that includes the Unified Agenda.

A fully searchable e-Agenda for SSA can be viewed in its entirety at www.reginfo.gov. The fall 2007 regulatory agenda for the Social Security Administration follows.

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Social Security Administration—Proposed Rule Stage

Sequence Number	Title	Regulation Identifier Number
462	Representation of Claimants (3396P) (Reg Plan Seq No. 168)	0960-AG56

References in boldface appear in the Regulatory Plan in part II of this issue of the **Federal Register**.

Social Security Administration (SSA)

Proposed Rule Stage

462. • REPRESENTATION OF CLAIMANTS (3396P)

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