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The ICR indicates that there are 2.96 million drivers of interstate CMVs. On what basis? BLS puts the number of drivers of heavy trucks at about 1.6 m, not all of whom are in interstate commerce. Even if one adds the self-employed (BLS puts that at less than 150,000) and bus drivers, one would be hard pressed to reach 3 million interstate drivers. Turnover in long-haul truckload is high, but not almost a half million per year as estimated. Does the Agency have any basis for these numbers? The number of drivers holding a CDL is irrelevant, as the ICR admits. A driver is not subject to the rule unless he or she is driving a CMV in interstate commerce. A CDL holder is not required to notify anyone of convictions if he or she is not driving a CMV so using 13 million as the baseline is just silly as it is for the next item (providing information to the new employer).

The burden is vastly overstated.

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