



ALABAMA BOARD OF REHABILITATION SERVICES

NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

AGENCY NAME: Alabama Board of Rehabilitation Services

RULE NO. & TITLE: Amend Rule No. 795-7-5-.01 Training.

INTENDED ACTION: The ALABAMA BOARD OF REHABILITATION SERVICES proposes to amend rules and regulations.

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: The amendment of this rule is authorized under the authority of ALA. CODE 1975 §21-9-1 *et seq.*, and the Alabama Board of Rehabilitation Services wishes to amend this rule so as to come in compliance with requirements for the program. This amended rule and regulation is issued under the authority of ALA.CODE 1975 §21-9-1 *et seq.* This rule covers specific requirements and procedures necessary for the proper administration of Alabama law. The amendment corrects and uses the appropriate name of the E. H. Gentry Facility, clarifies that there are no exceptions for the conditions to qualify for a license, and clarifies the responsibility of the vendor for his facility.

Copies of the proposed amended rule are available for inspection in the offices of the Board, 602 South Lawrence Street, Montgomery, Alabama 36104. Upon reasonable notice, persons requiring accommodation may obtain copies in large print, Braille or other media.

TIME, PLACE, MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS: All interested persons may submit written comments, and if requested in advance may personally appear before the Alabama Board of Rehabilitation Services by submitting a request to appear, to:

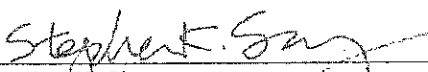
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To be considered by the Board, written comments must be received in the office of the Board no later than two days before the next regularly scheduled Board meeting on March 3, 2017, to wit: not later than March 1, 2017. Persons desiring to orally express their views before the Board must first submit their comments in writing as stated above, and shall be limited to ten minutes per person.

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE: March 1, 2017.

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BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM

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(1) All prospective vendors will participate in an evaluation and successfully complete the ~~Business Enterprise Training Program~~ conducted by the E.H. Gentry Technical Facility as a condition to qualify for a license. ~~Any exception to the receipt of training as stated above will be justified by the rehabilitation counselor, recommended by the appropriate supervisors, and approved by the BEP director.~~

(2) The SLA will, from time to time, provide post-licensing training that may include further education, additional training, or retraining for improved work opportunities as appropriate. A vendor will be responsible for securing a temporary assistant(s) including the payment thereof, if necessary, in order to receive post-licensing training. In any event, a BEP facility will remain the responsibility of the vendor.

(3) The rehabilitation counselor, in conjunction with his/her supervisor, may approve post-employment services. A leave of absence from a vending facility may be granted for approved post-employment services. A vendor may discontinue post-employment services and return to his/her facility. A vendor will be responsible for securing a temporary assistant(s) including the payment thereof, if necessary, in order to receive post-employment services. In any event, a BEP facility will remain the responsibility of the vendor.

~~(4) In any event, a BEP facility will remain the responsibility of the vendor.~~

**Author:** Alabama Board of Rehabilitation Services, Alabama Elected Committee of Blind Vendors.

**Statutory Authority:** Alabama Code 1975 §§ 21-1-40 and 21-9-9; 20 U. S. C. § 107 et. seq.

**History: New Rule:** Filed January 19, 2000; effective February 23, 2000;

**Amendment:** Filed December 16, 2016.