

TRANSMITTAL SHEET FOR  
NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

Control 810 Department or Agency REVENUE

Rule Nos. 810-2-8-.15

Rule Title: Acceptance into the Alabama Electronic Filing Program, Monitoring, and Revocation of Acceptance into the Program

New;  Amend;  Repeal;  Adopt by Reference

Would the absence of the proposed rule significantly harm or endanger the public health, welfare, or safety? No

Is there a reasonable relationship between the state's police power and the protection of the public health, safety, or welfare? Yes

Is there another, less restrictive method of regulation available that could adequately protect the public? No

Does the proposed rule have the effect of directly or indirectly increasing the costs of any goods or services involved and, if so, to what degree? No

Is the increase in cost, if any, more harmful to the public than the harm that might result from the absence of the proposed rule? N/A

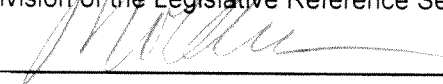
Are all facets of the rulemaking process designed solely for the purpose of, and so they have, as their primary effect, the protection of the public? Yes

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Does the proposed rule have any economic impact? No

If the proposed rule has an economic impact, the proposed rule is required to be accompanied by a fiscal note prepared in accordance with subsection (f) of Section 41-22-23, Code of Alabama 1975.

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Certification of Authorized Official

I certify that the attached proposed rule has been proposed in full compliance with the requirements of Chapter 22, Title 41, Code of Alabama 1975 and that it conforms to all applicable filing requirements of the Administrative Procedure Division of the Legislative Reference Service.

Signature of certifying officer 

Date 11/16/12

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**ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE  
Individual & Corporate Tax Division**

**NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION**

**RULE NO. & TITLE**

810-2-8-.12	Requirements for the Alabama Electronic Business Privilege Tax Return
810-2-8-.13	Requirements for the Business Privilege Tax Declaration for Electronic Filing
810-2-8-.14	Requirements for Electronic Filing Software
810-2-8-.15	Acceptance into the Alabama Electronic Filing Program, Monitoring, and Revocation of Acceptance into the Program

**INTENDED ACTION:** Adopt a new rule

**SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION:** The department proposes to adopt the above new rules to provide electronic filing procedures for business privilege tax returns.

**TIME, PLACE, MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS:** A public hearing will be held at **10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 9, 2013, in the Office of the Legal Division, Room 3114, Gordon Persons Building, located at 50 N Ripley Street, Montgomery, Alabama.** Copies of the rule(s) can be obtained at [www.revenue.alabama.gov/rulehear.html](http://www.revenue.alabama.gov/rulehear.html).

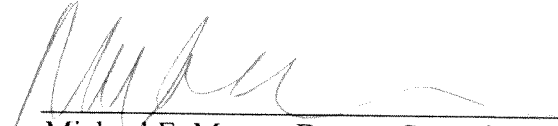
All interested parties may present their views in writing to the **Deputy Commissioner of the Alabama Department of Revenue, Room 4112, Gordon Persons Building, 50 N Ripley Street, Montgomery, Alabama 36132** at any time during the thirty-five (35) day period following publication of the notice or by appearing at the hearing.

**FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE:**

January 9, 2013

**CONTACT PERSON AT AGENCY:**

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Montgomery, Alabama 36132  
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**ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT  
FOR APA RULE  
(Section 41-22-23(f))**

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NO

This rule has no economic impact.

YES

This rule has an economic impact, as explained below:

1. NEED/EXPECTED BENEFIT OF RULE:
2. COSTS/BENEFITS OF RULE AND WHY RULE IS THE MOST EFFECTIVE, EFFICIENT, AND FEASIBLE MEANS FOR ALLOCATING RESOURCES AND ACHIEVING THE STATED PURPOSE:
3. EFFECT OF THIS RULE ON COMPETITION:
4. EFFECT OF THIS RULE ON COST OF LIVING AND DOING BUSINESS IN THE GEOGRAPHICAL AREA WHERE THE RULE IS TO BE IMPLEMENTED:
5. EFFECT OF THIS RULE ON EMPLOYMENT IN THE GEOGRAPHICAL AREA HERE THE RULE IS TO BE IMPLEMENTED:
6. SOURCE OF REVENUE TO BE USED FOR IMPLEMENTING AND ENFORCING THIS RULE:
7. THE SHORT-TERM/LONG-TERM ECONOMIC IMPACT OF THIS RULE ON AFFECTED PERSONS, INCLUDING ANALYSIS OF PERSONS WHO WILL BEAR THE COSTS AND THOSE WHO WILL BENEFIT FROM THE RULE:

8. UNCERTAINTIES ASSOCIATED WITH THE ESTIMATED BENEFITS AND BURDENS OF THE RULE, INCLUDING QUALITATIVE/QUANTITATIVE BENEFITS AND BURDEN COMPARISON:
9. THE EFFECT OF THIS RULE ON THE ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC HEALTH:
10. DETRIMENTAL EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC HEALTH IF THE RULE IS NOT IMPLEMENTED:
11. OTHER COMMENTS:

810-2-8-.15 Acceptance into the Alabama Electronic Filing Program, Monitoring, and Revocation of Acceptance into the Program. **(NEW RULE)**

(1) Electronic return originators and transmitters accepted by and in good standing with the Federal Electronic Filing Program are automatically accepted into the Alabama Electronic Filing Program.

(2) Electronic return originators and transmitters accepted into the Alabama Electronic Filing Program serve as agents of the Alabama Department of Revenue, and must comply with the requirements of the program as stated in the Alabama Business Modernized E-file Program: Software Developers and Transmitters Guidelines and Schemas (Publication AL4164).

(3) The Alabama Department of Revenue will conduct random monitoring visits with Electronic Return Originators and Transmitters to verify that the requirements of the Alabama Electronic Filing Program are being met.

(4) The Alabama Department of Revenue reserves the right to revoke the acceptance of an electronic return originator or transmitter for cause. Failure to comply with the guidelines set forth in the Alabama Business Modernized E-file Program: Software Developers and Transmitters Guidelines and Schemas (Publication AL4164) is considered just cause.

(5) Any of the following can result in the revocation of an electronic return originator's or transmitter's acceptance into the program:

(a) Conviction of a criminal offense under the revenue laws of any state or of any offense involving dishonesty, or breach of trust.

(b) Failure to file timely and accurate tax returns, both personal and business.

(c) Failure to pay personal tax liabilities or business tax liabilities.

(d) Failure or refusal to effect corrective action as required by the Alabama Department of Revenue.

(e) Other facts or conduct of a disreputable nature that would reflect adversely on the Alabama Electronic Filing Program.

(f) Unethical practices in return preparation.

(g) Suspension by IRS.

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Authority: Sections 40-2A-7(a)(5) and 40-30-6, Code of Alabama 1975  
History: