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The Alabama Department of Revenue Deploys First State-Wide Identity Protection Program to Fight State Income Tax Refund Theft

The Alabama eID app is a highly secure and free service for Alabama taxpayers just in time for tax season

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After a successful 2017 pilot program, IDEMIA and the Alabama Department of Revenue have announced the full-scale deployment of the electronic ID app (Alabama eID) to protect residents against state income tax refund theft.

The Alabama eID app is available for download in Apple's App Store and in the Google Play store for Android users. Users complete a short registration process in which their identities are verified by scanning their physical driver's license or state-issued ID and taking a selfie with their smartphone. This information is compared against the data and photo on record in the driver's license database to verify the person registering for the app is who they claim to be.

> *As the global leader in identity security, IDEMIA is pleased to provide the Alabama Department of Revenue the Alabama eID app for its taxpayers. The app brings the highest level of security with a simple user interface to create the leading edge technology in protecting state income tax refunds. The technology's unique ability is its secure link to the identity verification process residents underwent to receive their Alabama driver's license or state ID. This authenticated connection between digital identity and physical identity is what ensures only you can claim your state income tax refund.*
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> *Ed Casey, Chief Executive Officer, IDEMIA Identity & Security North America*

> *We're proud Alabama is leading the nation in securing its residents identities against state income tax fraud. Not only will we protect taxpayers against criminals, taxpayers who use the Alabama eID app will also receive priority processing and expedited issuance of their refund.*
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> *Vernon Barnett, Commissioner of the Alabama Department of Revenue*

For more information on the Alabama eID app and a list of supported devices, go to https://www.AlabamaeID.com.

To download the app for an iPhone go to http://bit.ly/Alabama-eID-iTunes and for Android phones go to http://bit.ly/Alabama-eID-GooglePlay.

About IDEMIA - OT-Morpho is now IDEMIA, the global leader in Augmented Identity for an increasingly digital world, with the ambition to empower citizens and consumers alike to interact, pay, connect, travel and vote in ways that are now possible in a connected environment.

Securing our identity has become mission critical in the world we live in today. By standing for Augmented Identity, we reinvent the way we think, produce, use and protect this asset, whether for individuals or for objects. We ensure privacy and trust as well as guarantee secure, authenticated and verifiable transactions for international clients from Financial, Telecom, Identity, Public Security and IoT sectors.
OT (Oberthur Technologies) and Safran Identity & Security (Morpho) have joined forces to form IDEMIA. With close to $3 billion in revenues and 14,000 employees around the world, IDEMIA serves clients in 180 countries.

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