

ALABAMA BOARD OF REHABILITATION SERVICES

NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

AGENCY NAME: Alabama Board of Rehabilitation Services

RULE NO. & TITLE: Amend Rule No. 795-7-11-.06 SLA Responsibilities To The Elected Committee.

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 clarifies the format of SLA written materials, removes the requirement of an SLA annual report, and requires SLA consultation with the executive officers of the elected committee when addressing decisions not addressed by the rules.

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:

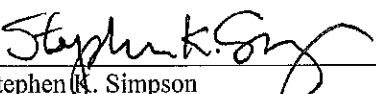
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To be considered by the Board, written comments must be received in the office of the Board no later than two days before the next regularly scheduled Board meeting on March 3, 2017, to wit: not later than March 1, 2017. Persons desiring to orally 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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**ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF REHABILITATION SERVICES
BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM**

**CHAPTER 795-7-11
ELECTED COMMITTEE OF BLIND VENDORS**

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795-7-11-.06 **SLA Responsibilities To The Elected Committee.**

(1) In order to ensure accuracy in seniority, the SLA shall provide the secretary of the elected committee a list of all vendors and their seniority.

(2) In cases where negotiations are necessary with respect to rule changes and/or the development of policies or procedures, the SLA will provide all written material to the elected committee at least ten days prior to any scheduled meeting for the purpose of allowing appropriate committee participation. Such information shall be provided in an necessary accessible format; i.e., large print, Braille, audiotape or computer disks.

(3) The SLA shall provide an opportunity for elected committee members to initiate matters for consideration in the administration of the program.

(4) The SLA shall prepare and file with the elected committee annual and quarterly financial reports, describing revenues received from all sources, program expenses, and changes in fund(s) balance(s) for the periods covered. Reports shall be prepared in writing and presented to the elected committee.

~~(5) The SLA shall prepare and furnish to the elected committee an annual report.~~

(6) The SLA shall generate and submit to the elected committee, in writing, a quarterly report identifying all facilities and their locations that are operated by temporary vendors. All facilities not operated by a blind licensee will be noted.

~~(7)~~ The SLA has ultimate responsibility for the administration of BEP. Should the SLA not adopt the views and positions of the elected committee, it will notify the committee, in writing, of the decision(s) reached, and/or action(s) taken and the reason(s) therefore. In the spirit of active participation when the SLA must make a

decision not directly addressed by the BEP General Rules, the SLA will consult with the executive officers of the Elected Committee, when possible.

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.