

# Alabama Department of Revenue

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## 2014 Back-to-School Sales Tax Holiday

**Set Aug. 1 through Aug. 3**

### ***Local governments participating should notify ADOR by July 1***

*Montgomery*—Alabama's ninth annual Back-to-School Sales Tax Holiday will be held Friday, Aug. 1, through Sunday, Aug. 3, 2014, announced State Revenue Commissioner Julie P. Magee.

To allow retailers sufficient time to prepare for the annual Back-to-School Sales Tax Holiday, local governments should notify the Alabama Department of Revenue (ADOR) by July 1, 2014, of their decisions regarding their participation in this year's sales tax holiday.

"We encourage local governments to note the dates of the 2014 Back-to-School Sales Tax Holiday on their local council and commission meeting calendars, so they will have ample time to discuss and notify the ADOR of their decision," said Magee.

"The ADOR will use this information to compile a listing of all cities and counties participating in the 2014 Back-to-School Sales Tax Holiday. Alabama retailers and consumers rely on this information to learn which cities and counties are participating each year. Last year, over 280 local governments joined the state in waiving their local sales tax during the Back-to-School Sales Tax Holiday," explained Magee.

A provision in the Back-to-School Sales Tax Holiday law allows counties and municipalities to join the state by removing their own local sales and use taxes from the same items during the same weekend. Covered items include:

- clothing costs up to \$100 per item;
- computers, software and computer supplies costing up to \$750 per item;
- school supplies and textbooks up to \$50 per item; and
- other books up to \$30 each.

To see which local governments are participating, as well as to get more detailed information about the Back-to-School Sales Tax Holiday, visit ADOR's website at <http://revenue.alabama.gov/salestax/SalesTaxHol.cfm>.

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