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## **ADOR Increasing Security Measures for My Alabama Taxes (MAT)**

MONTGOMERY, July 24, 2015—The Alabama Department of Revenue considers the security of the information that the citizens of Alabama have entrusted us with to be our top priority. That is why beginning July 25 we will be enhancing security features to the online taxpayer portal, My Alabama Taxes (MAT).

In addition to the logon/password, we will implement a second authentication mechanism on MAT which will require users to also enter an authentication code to log in. MAT users will have the option of receiving the authentication code via SMS text message or email.

This code will be used to verify the user's identity when logging into MAT. There is an option to check a "Trust This Computer" box, which will enable MAT to recognize the device and Web browser combination for future logons.

In order to better understand this change, a demonstration of the process can be viewed at this link: https://myalabamataxes.alabama.gov/files/cbt/TCA.htm

While MAT is already a secure system, Commissioner Magee feels that boosting security will give users an extra level of comfort that their data is being protected. Should anyone need assistance or have questions regarding this change, please call 334-353-0030.

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