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Time is Running Out Alabama's Tax Amnesty Program Ends May 15

Montgomery—Alabama Commissioner of Revenue Tim Russell reminds delinquent tax filers that time is running out to take advantage of Operation Clean Slate—Alabama's tax amnesty program. The program began Feb. 1 and will end May 15, 2009.

Individuals and businesses that voluntarily come forward and file past-due returns or amend their returns to properly report their Alabama tax liabilities will not face penalties or prosecution, according to Russell. This program, however, is not available to persons who are already under investigation by the Alabama Department of Revenue (ADOR) or who have been contacted by the ADOR regarding their proper tax liability.

Operation Clean Slate is available to almost all taxpayers and for all tax types. The program applies to individual and corporate income taxes, business privilege tax, and if unregistered with the ADOR, sales and use taxes.

“We encourage all taxpayers who can take advantage of the program to do so. Do not let this opportunity pass. The last time the state of Alabama granted a tax amnesty period was 26 years ago,” added Russell. “Shortly, we will complete the final implementation stages of a new computer system that will provide the department with enhanced discovery program tools aimed at catching underreporters and nonfilers.”

Before these programs are put into place, the department is offering nonfilers and underreporters a last opportunity to come forward and start with a clean slate, according to Russell.

Individuals and businesses wanting to take advantage of this program can send their delinquent or amended tax returns to the Alabama Department of Revenue, P.O. Box 327010, Montgomery, AL 36132-7070.

Those with any questions can access the Clean Slate website at www.revenue.alabama.gov/cleanslate.html, or call **866-326-6755** or **334-242-1055**.

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