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## Protection Program to Fight State Income Tax Theft

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IDEMIA, which makes Augmented Identity technology, and the Alabama Department of Revenue (ADOR), announced enhancements to the newly renamed IDEMIA eID app, which provides all Alabama taxpayers the ability to protect their identity and combat state income tax fraud.

The IDEMIA eID app enables users to securely protect their identity, verify their tax return and, on average, obtain their refund 60 percent faster\* than taxpayers who do not use the eID app. The latest enhancements of the eID application are optimized for iOS and Android devices, including compatibility with iOS 12, the new iPhone X lineups, and the new Android 9.0 Pie release.

*"Our highly secure IDEMIA eID app empowers Alabama taxpayers to take control of their identity to protect themselves and their state tax refund," said Matt Thompson, Senior Vice President, Civil Identity for North America, IDEMIA. "The latest update enhances the security while making it easier to use, which will delight everyone who uses the app."*

IDEMIA and ADOR broke new ground last year to combat tax theft. Alabama became the first state in the nation to have a full-scale deployment of the electronic ID app for identity protection and to combat state income tax refund theft by using IDEMIA's cutting-edge technology. With the free IDEMIA eID app, Alabama

taxpayers use a selfie and their driver's license or state ID card to be digitally

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*taxpayers, providing them identity protection and priority processing to get refunds faster.”*

*“Our clients depend on our professional knowledge to ensure their tax filing needs are met,” said Jeannine P. Birmingham, President & CEO, Alabama Society of Certified Public Accountants. “The eID app offered by ADOR and IDEMIA provides us a valuable solution to help protect our clients’ identities and their tax returns.”*

The app is available for download in [Apple's App Store](#) and in the [Google Play Store](#) for Android users. For more information on the IDEMIA eID app, go to [www.alabamaeid.com](http://www.alabamaeid.com).

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