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ALEA Reallocates Personnel to District Driver License Offices

[Montgomery, Ala.] An \$11 million cut in the new General Fund appropriation to the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency (ALEA) will force the elimination of travel to 31 part-time, non-state owned, satellite locations. Effective today, the traveling Driver License Examiners will be reallocated to staff District Driver License Offices full-time.

The reallocation of the Driver License Examiners comes one day before the effective date of the General Fund Budget passed during a special legislative session. The appropriation to ALEA was reduced in the new budget from \$55,758,744 to \$44,640,937.

"Since the Jan. 1, 2015 implementation date of ALEA, my staff and I have worked hard to make improvements and optimize customer convenience to the citizens of Alabama. In July, I announced several advancements that will help the Driver License issuance process including online scheduling, online driver license renewals and duplicates, self-serve kiosks, digital licensing for smart phones, and statewide equipment upgrades. Since making that announcement, we have had over 40,000 transactions online," said Secretary of Law Enforcement Spencer Collier. "The impact of the changes due to the budget cuts will be lessened because of the implementation of these technology-based services, including online renewals."

Alabama issues an average of 1.2 million driver licenses each year. The Driver License Division is severely understaffed and has 103 vacant positions as a result of past budget cuts and attrition. Analyzing transactions performed in each location throughout the state revealed the combined efforts of the 31 part-time satellite locations accounted for less than five percent of all Alabama Driver License transactions performed by ALEA. The busiest of these 31 satellite locations performed less than 2,000 transactions during 2014.

Secretary Collier continued, "Throughout the 2015 Legislative Sessions, we communicated our concerns to the Legislature, the news media, and the public by addressing the ongoing shortage of Driver License Division personnel created by past budgets and our ability to meet the needs of citizens should additional cuts be imposed. Additionally, we took a proactive approach to solve a decade old funding issue with the Driver License Division's operations by increasing the cost of the driver license to recoup a portion of the cost it takes to actually produce the license. The

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Legislature then reduced ALEA's General Fund appropriation by the projected recoupment revenue thereby negating the proactive steps taken by the agency. We appreciate the support of those Legislators that have helped our agency and strive to provide the most efficient use of the taxpayer's dollars. With the new budget cuts passed by the Alabama Legislature for Fiscal Year 2016, and with our limited personnel, travel has been eliminated to these part-time satellite locations. Driver License Examiners will be utilized to staff District Driver License Offices full-time and will no longer provide staffing to these 31 county owned, satellite locations."

"We will continue to work on ways to optimize customer convenience with our services," said Secretary Collier. "Probate Judges and License or Revenue Commissioners will continue to provide the same renewal services they have traditionally handled in their facilities. Additionally, statewide equipment upgrades announced in July, will allow Probate Judges and License or Revenue Commissioners to renew STAR IDs and conduct other services that were previously only performed at Driver License Offices."

The schedules for ALEA District Driver License Offices are available online at www.alrenewal.com. Additionally, to help citizens who currently utilize these part-time, satellite locations, ALEA has developed an interactive Citizen Services Locator Map that will identify and locate the closest office and the services it provides. Citizens can access the Citizens Services Locator Map by visiting www.alrenewal.com.



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Satellite Locations No Longer in Service		
County	City	Address
Baldwin	Bay Minette	300 Hoyle Avenue, Bay Minette, AL 36507
Bibb	Centreville	Bibb Co CH Annex, 8 Ct Square W Suite A, Centreville, AL 35042
Bullock	Union Springs	Police Dept, 303 N. Prairie St, Union Springs AL, 36089
Butler	Greenville	Butler Co CH, 101 S. Conecuh Street, Greenville, AL 36037
Chambers	Lafayette	9 Jane Place, Lafayette, AL 36862
Cherokee	Centre	260 Cedar Bluff Road, Centre, AL 35960
Choctaw	Butler	117 South Mulberry, Butler, AL 36427
Clay	Ashland	County Extension Bldg., 93 County Road 31, Ashland, AL 36251
Cleburne	Heflin	279 Martin Luther King Drive, Heflin, AL 36264
Coosa	Rockford	309 Jackson Street, Rockford, AL 35136
Crenshaw	Luverne	Crenshaw Co CH, 301 Glenwood Avenue, Luverne, AL 36049
Escambia	Brewton	Escambia Co CH, 314 Belleville Avenue, Brewton, AL 36426
Fayette	Fayette	Fayette Co CH Annex, 103 1st Ave NE, Fayette, AL 35555
Franklin	Russellville	Franklin Co CH, 410 N. Jackson Avenue, Russellville, AL 35653
Geneva	Geneva	Geneva Co CH, 200 N Commerce Street, Geneva, AL 36340
Greene	Eutaw	Green Co CH, 400 Morrow Ave, Eutaw, AL 35462
Hale	Greensboro	701 Hall Street, Greensboro, AL 36744
Henry	Abbeville	Henry Co CH, 101 Court Square, Abbeville, AL 36310
Lamar	Vernon	Lamar County Jail, 1118 County Road 9, Vernon, AL 35592
Lawrence	Moulton	14451 Market Street Suite 150, Moulton, AL 35650
Lowndes	Hayneville	105 East Tuskeena Street, Hayneville, AL 36044
Macon	Tuskegee	Gomillion Bldg. 302 South Main Street Tuskegee, AL 36083
Perry	Marion	Perry Co CH Annex, 1710 S. Washington St Ste 104, Marion, AL 36756
Pickens	Carrollton	20 Phoenix Avenue, Carrollton, AL 35447
St. Clair	Ashville	48 Court Street, Ashville, AL 35953
Sumter	Livingston	104 Hospital Drive, Livingston, AL 35470
Tallapoosa	Alexander City	Tallapoosa Co CH Annex, 395 Lee St, Alex City, AL 35010
Tallapoosa	Dadeville	Dadeville Co CH, 125 N. Broadnax St, Dadeville, AL 36853
Washington	Chatom	Washington Co CH, Chatom, AL 36518
Wilcox	Camden	219 Claiborne Street, Bldg 3 Suite D, Camden, AL 36726
Winston	Double Springs	Double Sp Munic Bldg, 23415 Hwy 195, Double Springs, AL 35553