# Alabama Department of Revenue

eID Insights: Learning and Vision for identity based security

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### Topics to be covered

- Solution refresher and campaign overview
- Converting interest into registered users
- Market survey learnings
- What are we looking forward to?



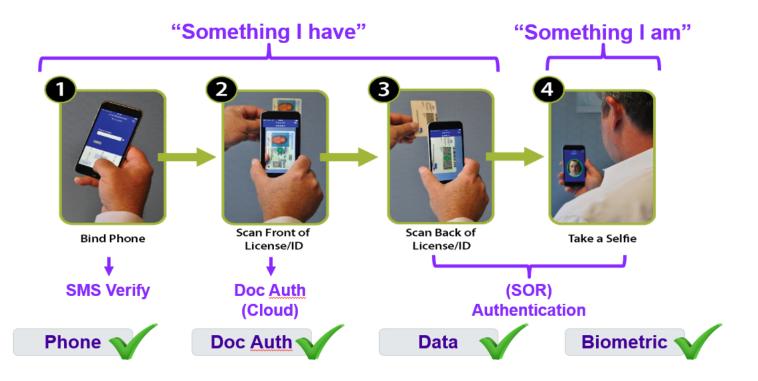
### What were we looking to achieve?

- Continue creating opportunities to fully empower taxpayers to control their relationship with the ADOR
- Provide an opt-in service for taxpayers to protect themselves (as individuals) from becoming a victim of tax related identity fraud
- Protect and expedite the processing of the individuals' tax return and refunds
- Set the stage for future online services and protective programs that require the assurance that people are who they claim to be and in full control of the process. (other DOR transactions)



### How does the service work?

#### (1) Create your eID



(2) Login/Register with DOR

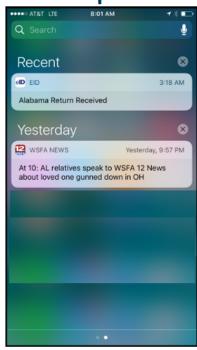




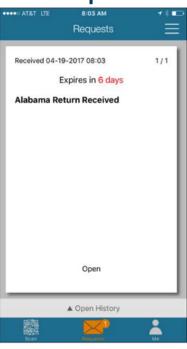
#### How does the service work?

#### (3) Authorize processing of your return

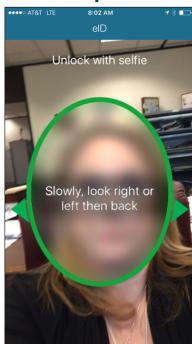
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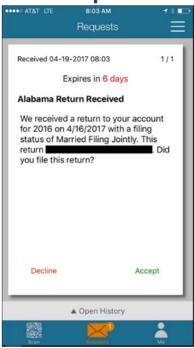
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Step #3



Step #4



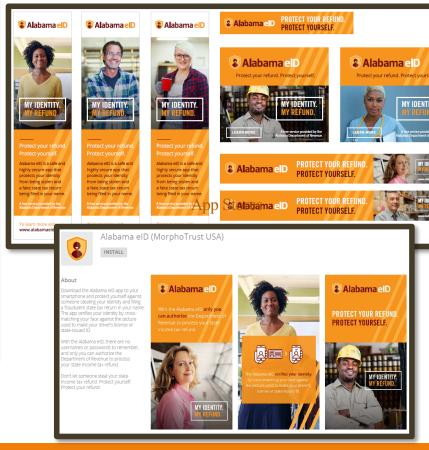


### Our Outreach Campaign

#### Brochure





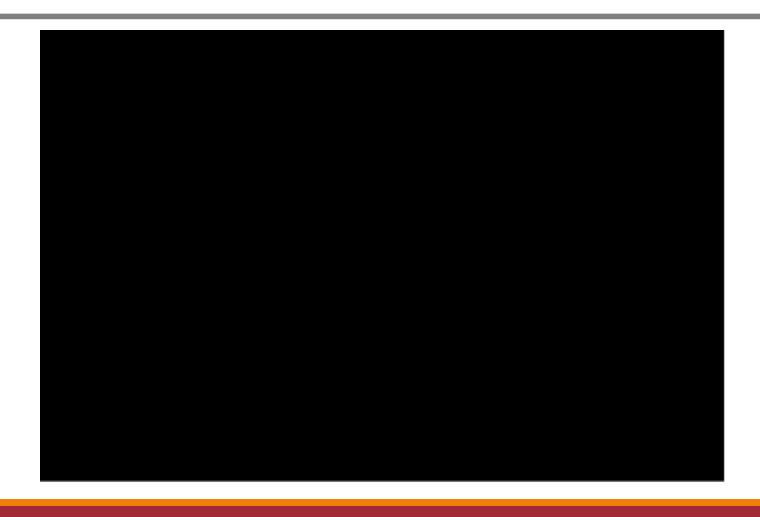


#### **CAMPAIGN TACTICS**

- ✓ Digital Advertising
- ✓ Paid Search and Paid Social Media Advertising
- ✓ Media Relations
- ✓ Radio ads across 9 stations in 5 markets
- ✓ PSA aired in 5 television markets
- ✓ Exhibit space at Mercedes Benz Marathon Expo
- ✓ Brochures, Posters for community
  Tax Centers
- ✓ PSA videos for online and social



### Alabama eID PSA





#### Alabama eID Stats

#### Registration of eID with DMV (ALEA) \*

App	Users Initiated Registration	Users Completed Registration
iOS	4,636	900
Android	1,113	277
Total	5,749	1,177

<sup>\*</sup>Information provided by Idemia as of 5/2/2018

#### Registration of eID with ADOR

Registered eID Users	777
Return eID Alerts	
Awaiting Response	3
Expired	347
Rejected	0
Verified	438
Total Sent	788
Returns which defaulted to using other verification r	methods: 272
All eID Alerts (includes registrations, updated registrat	ions and return alerts)
Awaiting Response	9
Expired	481
Rejected	2
Verified	1,179
Total Sent	1,671

#### **Constraints**

- Excluded Apple 8 & 10
- Limited Android Device Support
- Outreach
   activities began
   on IRS e-file
   opening



#### Observations

- Once eID registration begins (asking for user actions) we loose our first block of potential users (not a surprise and includes curiosity factor)
- We drop our next group around selfie/liveness
  - o combination of expectation and usability of the feature
  - o this is also where iOS devices stop an unsupported device
- Surprising outcome... ~50% of those who have signed up submit their tax return for processing almost immediately
  - Trying to drill into this deeper
  - Oping taxes and eID at the same time to accelerate refunds vs. eID first and file later?
  - o Does this mean we need to tweak the message??

- When we exclude unsupported devices our success rates grow to 43%+
- We know there are people outside of AL playing with the app to see what it is all about and skewing stats.
  Suspected success is closer to 50%



### Resident Study

- 16% of residents were aware of the eID campaign
- Those aware learned of it from a tax professional or the news
- 60% of those aware went to DORs website, the marketing site or the app store to learn more
- Those unaware: 80% favorable impression of the service (willing or somewhat willing to download the app)
- Barriers uncovered:
  - Needed more info
  - Don't need it perception (I don't get a refund)
  - Already filed taxes
  - Could be glitches or security issues
  - No space for many apps on device / only 1 use today
  - Use a tax prep solution for submitting

#### Other feedback

- Vehicle registration may be a good use of eID?
  - Online credit or debit card payments, securing online shopping and other online government transactions would make sense



### Ideas going forward

- Earlier and more robust use of CPAs/Tax Preparation Service providers to drive awareness
  - Reinforced by study results
  - Allows for pre-tax season efforts that are effective (pre-season with users known to have very limited success
- More Pronounced option to use eID to accelerate processing for those we mail quizzes to (instead of taking the quiz... register with eID and approve your return real-time)
  - Those who were made aware of the service through the study demonstrated willingness and positive impressions.
  - Complements the "Preventative" campaign with messaging to people potentially now in danger.
- Open up new opportunities to use eID that will create more user interest (addresses single use problem.



## Thank you