

**ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF REHABILITATION SERVICES
DECLARATION OF CITIZENSHIP AND LAWFUL PRESENCE
OF AN ALIEN FOR PUBLIC BENEFITS**

Title IV of the federal Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, 8 U.S.C. § 1621, provides that, with certain exceptions, only United States citizens, United States non-citizen nationals, non-exempt “qualified aliens” (and sometimes only particular categories of qualified aliens), nonimmigrants, and certain aliens paroled into the United States are eligible to receive state or local public benefits.

With certain exceptions, Alabama Act 2011-535 prohibits aliens unlawfully present in the U.S. from receiving state or local benefits. Every U.S. Citizen applying for a state or local public benefit must sign a declaration of Citizenship, and the lawful presence of an alien in the U.S. must be verified by the Federal Government.

Directions: All applicants must complete and submit this form.

SECTION I --- APPLICANT INFORMATION

APPLICANT’S NAME (Print or type) _____

CURRENT ADDRESS _____

COUNTY _____

SECTION II --- CITIZENSHIP DECLARATION

Are you a citizen or national of the United States (check one) Yes No

SECTION III --- LAWFUL PRESENCE DECLARATION

Are you an alien lawfully present in the United States? Yes No

SECTION IV --- DECLARATION

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Alabama that the answers I gave and the information I provided are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

APPLICANT’S SIGNATURE

DATE