



STATE OF ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF  
**PUBLIC HEALTH**

Thomas M. Miller, M.D.  
State Health Officer

April 28, 2017

Dear Mr. Rupprecht:

Dr. Thomas Miller, State Health Officer, has asked the Bureau of Environmental Services to respond to your letter of March 20, 2017, concerning requirements for customers to wear shoes in food establishments.

The Alabama Department of Public Health does not have any requirements for customers' or patrons' clothing, including shoes, for food establishments. However, you are correct in that a food establishment business may establish its own dress code.

If you need additional information, please contact Mr. Mark Sestak, Food and Lodging Branch Director, at 334-206-5375.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sherry Bradley".

Sherry Bradley, M.P.A., Director  
Bureau of Environmental Services

SDB/RD

cc: Ronald Dawsey, Deputy Director

Mark Sestak, Food & Lodging Director