I. Definitions

A. Blind Person - A natural person who has no vision or whose vision with corrective glasses is so defective as to prevent the performance of ordinary activities for which eyesight is essential, or who has central visual acuity of 20/200 or less in the better eye with corrective glasses, or whose central visual acuity is more than 20/200 in the better eye with corrective glasses but whose peripheral field has contracted to such an angular distance no greater than 20 degrees.

B. Vending Stand - Such shelters, counters, shelves, display and wall cases, refrigerator apparatus, and other auxiliary equipment that may be needed in vending such articles as may be approved by Rehabilitation Services, as well as manual or coin operated vending machines or similar devices.

C. Licensed Blind Vendor - A blind person licensed by Rehabilitation Services to operate a vending stand.

II. General Requirements

1. The institutions must assure the preferential status of licensed blind vendors. No institution may have upon its main campus or any branch campus any vending stand owned or operated by any party other than the institution unless the presence of each such vending stand is pursuant to a competitively bid contract between the respective institution and the respective owner and/or operator of the vending stand.

2. Institutions must bid for and award contracts by following the current Code of Alabama bid procedures.