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Bloomington woman charged with tax crimes

ST. PAUL, Minn. – The Minnesota Department of Revenue announced that the Hennepin County Attorney’s Office recently charged Katherine Grace Wilcox, 57, of Bloomington, with ten tax felonies.

Wilcox has been charged with five counts of filing false tax returns and five counts of willfully failing to remit taxes.

According to the criminal complaint, Wilcox overstated the amount of withholding tax she and her husband paid for tax years 2008 through 2012.

As a result, Wilcox owes the state more than \$13,000 in tax, interest and penalty.

The charges each carry a maximum penalty of up to five years in prison and up to a \$10,000 fine.

The Minnesota Department of Revenue has a 24-hour tip line for anyone who suspects an individual or business is violating tax laws. That number is 651-297-5195, or 1-800-657-3500 (TTY users call 711 for Minnesota Relay). Tipsters may remain anonymous and can also email the department at tax.fraud@state.mn.us. In 2012, citizen tips totaled 80 percent of the department’s criminal case referrals.

While most taxpayers comply with tax laws voluntarily, the Minnesota Department of Revenue takes progressive enforcement action against non-compliant taxpayers ensuring tax laws are fairly administered, collecting no more and no less than taxpayers owe.

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