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Anoka woman charged with tax crimes

ST. PAUL, Minn. – The Minnesota Department of Revenue announced that the Anoka County Attorney’s Office recently charged Sea Thor Vang, 33, of Anoka, with four tax-related felonies.

Vang is charged with four counts of filing fraudulent income tax returns for tax years 2008 through 2011.

According to the criminal complaint, Vang included false information on her tax returns by overstating the amount of withholding taxes and underreporting income.

The complaint also states Vang received more than \$26,000 in refunds for these years, to which she was not entitled.

Each felony charge carries 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 a person or business is violating tax laws. That number is 651-297-5195, or 1-800-657-3500. Tipsters may remain anonymous and can also email the department at tax.fraud@state.mn.us. In 2013, 85 percent of the department’s criminal case referrals came from citizen tips.

Although most taxpayers comply with tax laws voluntarily, the Minnesota Department of Revenue takes enforcement action against noncompliant taxpayers to ensure tax laws are fairly administered.

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