



## News Release

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### Shoreview man charged with multiple tax crimes

**ST. PAUL, Minn.** – The Minnesota Department of Revenue announced that the Ramsey County Attorney’s Office recently charged David Andrew Lange of Shoreview with several tax-related felonies.

Mr. Lange is charged with three counts of failing to file income tax returns and three counts of failing to pay income taxes.

The complaint states that Mr. Lange failed to file returns and pay income tax for the tax years 2012 through 2014. According to the complaint, Mr. Lange did not claim as income money he received by allegedly defrauding a number of individuals and businesses around the Twin Cities area. Each of the transactions alleged in the complaint involved Mr. Lange receiving taxable income that he did not report. Mr. Lange owes more than \$23,000 in income tax, penalties, and interest, according to the complaint.

Each tax-related felony charge carries a maximum penalty of five years in prison, a \$10,000 fine, or both. Defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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

The Minnesota Department of Revenue has a 24-hour tip line for anyone who suspects that a person or business is violating Minnesota tax laws. Local callers may dial 651-297-5195 or call toll-free by dialing 1-800-657-3500. Tips can also be submitted to the department by email at [tax.fraud@state.mn.us](mailto:tax.fraud@state.mn.us). Tipsters may choose to remain anonymous. In 2014, 87 percent of the department’s criminal case referrals came from citizen tips.

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