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## PRESS RELEASE

### 2018 Business Tax Receipt Renewal Notices

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**Shalimar** — The Business Collections Department from the Okaloosa County Tax Collector's Office will begin sending out renewal notices for 2018 Business Tax Receipts (BTR) on July 1, 2017. Formally known as an Occupational License, BTRs are required for businesses that provide merchandise, entertainment, or services to the public, even if it's only a one person company or home-based business, within Okaloosa County.

Okaloosa County Tax Collector Ben Anderson says, "Our Business Collections Department has worked hard to simplify the process of applying for and renewing BTRs. You can now accomplish both with a few clicks by logging onto our website at [www.OkaloosaTax.com](http://www.OkaloosaTax.com)." Anderson continues, "Online payments are safe and convenient and will ultimately cut down on long lines in our branches. Also, Taxpayers can use E-check, which is a *FREE* online payment option."

For those whose Business Tax Receipt has expired, it should be renewed as soon as possible to avoid additional penalties. Business Tax Receipts can be paid at any Okaloosa County Tax Collector Branch, online at [www.OkaloosaTax.com](http://www.OkaloosaTax.com), or by phone at 651-7300. Inquiries should be directed to Joshua Allen, Director of Business Collections or [JAllen@OkaloosaTax.com](mailto:JAllen@OkaloosaTax.com).

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