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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **TAX COLLECTOR AGENTS TO CONTACT DELINQUENT BUSINESSES**

#### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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**Shalimar, FL**— Okaloosa County Tax Collector Agents will begin calling delinquent business owners and operators on February 1st. Okaloosa County businesses must obtain and annually renew a Business Tax Receipt (BTR), formerly known as an Occupational License. The deadline to renew Business Tax Receipts each year is September 30th, after which they become delinquent.

Okaloosa County Tax Agents will be contacting delinquent BTR account holders directly by phone. "We want the public to know this is NOT a scam and that our Tax Agents will only be calling during regular business hours, Monday through Friday. Our Agents will identify themselves as Tax Collector employees," shares Okaloosa County Tax Collector, Ben Anderson.

Business Owners and Operators are encouraged to visit [OkaloosaTax.com](http://OkaloosaTax.com) to renew their Business Tax Receipts. The website provides a **SECURE** and **FREE** online payment option using your bank account (e-check).

[OkaloosaTax.com](http://OkaloosaTax.com) can be used to handle **ALL** your Business Tax Receipt needs, including:

- Checking the status of your account.
- Printing a copy of a Business Tax Receipt.
- Applying for a New Business Tax Receipt.
- Making a change to an existing account.
- Closing an account.

**All businesses** providing merchandise, entertainment, or services to the public, even if only a one-person company or home-based business, are **required** to obtain a Business Tax Receipt.

Inquiries regarding Business Tax Receipts should be directed to the Tax Department at [BTRWeb@OkaloosaTax.com](mailto:BTRWeb@OkaloosaTax.com) or by dialing **#TAX** (#829) from your mobile device.

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