

The Texas State Comptroller has issued a warning!



Criminals Impersonating State, Threatening to Seize Assets

Some taxpayers have received fraudulent letters claiming the state of Texas will seize their assets and property for unpaid taxes unless payment is made within seven days. These illegitimate letters did not originate from the Comptroller's office.

For years, criminals have used aggressive and threatening scam faxes, letters and phone calls impersonating state agencies. The criminals demand immediate payment, often via a specific payment method, and threaten to seize assets and property or significantly increase the liability if you fail to pay or provide sensitive personal information.

Be incredibly wary whenever you receive unexpected messages like these, as they can be a trap. The criminals' threats are designed to get you to react by calling the criminals' phone number or clicking on a fake link to solve the problem. The consequences can be catastrophic. Not only can you lose your money, but if you click on links in scam emails or texts, you also could become a victim of identity theft or have malware installed on your phone or computer.

If you receive an unexpected message of this type, do not call the phone number or use the website or link provided in the letter, email or text. Most importantly, do not give the sender personal information or money. Instead, please email stop.spoofing@cpa.texas.gov or call the Comptroller's Collection Team at 1-800-252-8880.

Example of the fraudulent letter on page 2.



Tax Investigation-2B
Williamson County
Public Lien Records

Notice	LD470
Notice date	1/11/2024
Lien number	[REDACTED]
To contact us	(800) 217-7098
Your ID	[REDACTED]

ABC Company
100 Main Street
Round Rock, Texas 78664

Intent to seize your assets and property
Amount due immediately: \$8,249.00

This notice is to inform you that you may be the subject of investigation by The State Of Texas. This investigation may involve alleged violations—including avoidance of the tax liability of \$8,249.00 owed to The State Of Texas. Unless payment is made within (7) days of the date of this letter, further action may be taken to collect outstanding liability.

Amount you owe	\$8,249.00
Additional failure-to-pay penalty	\$824.90
Additional interest charges	\$1,237.35
Amount due immediately	\$10,311.25

To provide action call (800) 217-7098 by 1/25/2024.

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As required by law, you have been previously notified that The State Of Texas has filed a lien in the name of ABC Company as of 8/2/2019 in Williamson County Record's Office.

Amount due immediately

\$8,249.00