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State closes Longhorn Saloon for not paying state sale and withholding taxes

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TOPEKA – Thursday, Kansas Department of Revenue civil tax enforcement agents and the Chase County Sheriff's Department seized the business assets of Longhorn Saloon which owed \$16,725 in state sales and withholding taxes.

Officers seized all known bank accounts, on-site cash, business inventory and personal property assets belonging to owner Teri K. Odgers. The bar and grill at 315 Cottonwood St., Strong City was sealed closed the assets will be sold at public auction to pay the taxes owed.

Warrant execution occurs when all other collection attempts, including multiple letters, telephone calls, letters of impending legal action, tax liens filed with the local district court to secure the debt, previous bank levies and on-site till taps are executed to bring the taxpayer into compliance have been exhausted.

Only after several unsuccessful attempts does the department take the action of seizing assets, which in this instance resulted in the business being closed.

The revenue department's standard practice is to continually encourage delinquent taxpayers, who are not lawfully filing or paying taxes - such as sales or withholding - to voluntarily enter into a repayment agreement.

Tax Warrants:

Sales – 14ST9 – Chase County – Nov. 2012 through Nov. 2013 – \$5,758.98

Sales – 15ST1 – Chase County – Jan. 2014 through June 2014 – \$964.22

Withholding – 14ST8 – Chase County – Nov. 2012 through Nov. 2013 – \$10,002.14

Total taxes owed: \$16,725.34