

VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION ACCELERATED REFUND PROGRAM DISCONTINUED

Effective December 1, 2016, the accelerated refund program that was offered by the Virginia Department of Taxation with your annual Virginia Income Tax Return was discontinued. The Virginia Department of Taxation has stopped issuing accelerated refunds to properly detect and prevent fraud and identity theft. The Federation of Tax Administrators, IRS, and state revenue agencies are working together to detect and prevent refund fraud.

The Virginia Department of Taxation stated that a Virginia individual income tax refund can pass through more than 60 models that evaluate return data, but the accelerated refund didn't receive the same scrutiny. Accelerated refunds were issued without review of specific information on the tax return; therefore, the return could not be adequately evaluated for fraud. Accelerated refunds were the only return not processed before a refund was issued; all other refunds were contingent upon review of all information on the tax return. The accelerated refund was processed before the withholding information was validated and verified with the taxpayer's employer. Once a refund has been issued, it is very difficult to recover the funds if it's later discovered to be a fraudulent return.

The Virginia Department of Taxation issued the following estimations on your 2016 returns. If you e-File your refund it will generally be processed in up to 4 weeks, paper copies could take up to 8 weeks, and if you mail certified it could take an additional 3 weeks. For additional information, please contact:

Virginia Department of Taxation
P. O. Box 1115
Richmond, VA 23218-1115

or by Individual Tax Returns call 804-367-8031
phone Business Tax Returns call 804-367-8037

NOTICE TO FILE INCOME TAXES

Pursuant to Virginia Code 58.1-3108, notice is hereby given, informing taxpayers that they can file their Virginia State Tax Return at the King and Queen County Commissioner of the Revenue Office. The King and Queen County Commissioner of the Revenue's Office is located in the King and Queen County Courthouse at 242 Allen's Circle, Suite I, King and Queen CH., VA 23085. The Commissioner's Office is open Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Federal tax returns must be filed by April 18, 2017 and Virginia state tax returns must be filed by May 1, 2017. We have an assortment of State and Federal forms at the office for your convenience. If you have any questions or for more information, please call our office at 804-785-5976.

Kelly N. Lumpkin
Commissioner of the Revenue
King and Queen County, Virginia