

**UPDATE: Reena Hotels, Inc., re-opens after reaching a payment arrangement with the Kansas Department of Revenue**

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The taxpayer and the Revenue Department were able to reach an acceptable payment arrangement late Tuesday afternoon. The business assets have been released and the business re-opened.

The original release is below.

**State closes Reena Hotels, Inc. for not paying state transient guest and sale taxes**

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TOPEKA – Tuesday, Kansas Department of Revenue civil tax enforcement agents and Wyandotte and Shawnee county sheriffs' departments seized the business assets of Reena Hotels, Inc. which owed \$144,486.97 in state transient guest and sales taxes.

Officers seized all known bank accounts, on-site cash, business inventory and personal property assets belonging to owner Pinal C. Patel. The hotels, The Candlewood Suites at 914 S.W. Henderson Road, Topeka and the Days Inn Kansas Speedway at 7721 Elizabeth Ave., Kansas City were 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.