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Changes To Administrative Tax Garnishment Procedures

Effective May 26, 1999, the Department of Revenue's authority to collect a delinquent amount by garnishing the assets of a taxpayer now has an established limitation, unless the taxpayer has a prior history of tax delinquencies. This makes the administrative garnishment freeze procedures consistent with those in fuel tax and sales and use tax law.

Under this change, the total amount garnished cannot exceed the delinquent amount stated in the Department's Notice of Freeze (Form DR-44). Furthermore, this limitation applies to all of the taxpayer's assets, no matter where such assets are located in Florida. This new provision does not apply if the taxpayer has a history of delinquent taxes.

Taxpayer assets subject to garnishment were not changed and include credits, other personal property belonging to the taxpayer, and debts owed to the taxpayer.

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References:

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