Tax Fraud Scam Being Reported Locally

(KNZA)--Brown County Sheriff John Merchant is alerting residents of another familiar scam circulating in the county.

Merchant says residents have reported to the Sheriff's Office receiving calls informing them they have a tax warrant issued against them and are subject to arrest unless they immediately pay the warrant amount.

He says most of the calls have been automated messages but several have been conveyed by a live person. On the automated messages there is a number for residents to call back.

Merchant says several times a warrant for their arrest is mentioned if they do not return the call. He says one resident said they were told the Sheriff would be at their home to arrest them if the warrant wasn't paid immediately.

Merchant says this is definitely a scam and urges residents not to return the call or give out any personal information.

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