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The Utah State Tax Commission has begun issuing income tax refunds after taking extra precautions to verify filings and refunds. The delay to some refunds was caused when the Tax Commission discovered a number of attempts to file fraudulent income tax returns for the 2014 filing season.

Beginning this week, the Tax Commission will issue refunds to bank accounts and checks mailed directly to taxpayers. At this point, refunds will not be deposited into certain debit card accounts while the Tax Commission reviews its processes to determine that refunds are being sent to the correct taxpayer.

The fraudulent filings were identified by the Tax Commission from data submitted through a third-party commercial tax preparation software process. All information in the Tax Commission's computer system remains secure and has not been compromised. The Tax Commission continues to work with commercial vendors to protect taxpayers' identification and confidential information.

Taxpayers may verify the current status of their state income tax return by going to taxexpress.utah.gov where detailed instructions are provided.

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