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## **DENISON WOMAN HEADING TO PRISON FOR FRAUDULENT INCOME TAX RETURNS**

(Sherman, Texas) A 48-year-old Denison woman has been sentenced to 15 months in federal prison for subscribing to a false income tax return. **SHERRY LYNN DYKES** was sentenced last week by United States District Judge Richard Schell. According to information presented in Court, an investigation by the Internal Revenue Service - Criminal Investigation Division revealed that Dykes, an office supervisor for Neurologic & Spine Institute of North Texas in Sherman, substantially understated her income between 1997 and 2001. The tax loss to the government during this time was \$48,902.49.

**United States Attorney Matthew D. Orwig was pleased with the sentencing, "Cheating on income tax returns is a severe crime with a just penalty. Honest Americans are the ones penalized even more when cheaters ditch their responsibilities to pay taxes."**

This case was investigated by the IRS-CID and was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorneys Randy Blake and Jose Monsivais.

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