

Airbnb to collect TOT for El Dorado County

El Dorado County has worked out a deal with Airbnb for the short-term rental company to collect transient occupancy tax.

This is something the city of South Lake Tahoe has been trying to do to no avail.

Airbnb will start doing this for the unincorporated area of the county starting Aug. 1.

Jurisdictions prefer rental platforms collect the tax because then they don't have to rely on the renter to fill out what is usually a quarterly form, and then having the individual send in the necessary payment. This is an issue everywhere with renters not paying the tax.

Airbnb now has agreements with more than 400 municipalities to collect TOT.

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