

April, 25, 2011

Re; Transient license 810 Terry Lane

Dear City of Key West,

Within the past month, I rented a vacation home in Key West for one week. While house hunting to buy a future vacation rental property we learned from local real estate agents that in Key West there are very strict compliance rules regarding rental property, and that you require a Transient License for weekly rentals. The home we stayed at did not have a transient license. It appeared from the reaction of the real estate agent that a lack of a Transient License might be of great concern to the City of Key West, as well as a concern for other property owners in the neighborhood. The owner collected a 12.5% FL tax from me, \$470.00 on a \$2800/ weekly rate. I am wondering where my paid tax fee ends up, and if this tax is actually paid to the proper tax dept. Is this tax going to FL, another state of residence, or is it being reported at all?

Thank you,

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