

Entrepreneur Tries Berry Payment

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A small entrepreneur in the Siberian city of Tomsk tried to settle a 9,600 ruble (\$310) insurance debt he owed to the Pension Fund by paying in cranberries, the local branch of the Federal Court Marshal Service said Wednesday.

The man, whose business involves gathering and selling wild-growing fruits, took local court marshals aback by bringing 10 buckets of the freshly gathered berries to their office, according to a statement posted on the service's regional website.

After court marshals convinced the businessman that he couldn't repay his debt in such a manner, "the tricky debtor resolved the situation" by finding a buyer for the berries over the next couple of hours and delivering the needed sum, the statement said.

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