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TO: Agency Directors and Policy Manual Users

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SUBJECT: SAAM Technical Correction

We have revised Subsection 10.90 Travel Rates of the *State Administrative and Accounting Manual* (SAAM) effective January 1, 2017.

In Subsection 10.90.20, we decreased the mileage reimbursement rates for privately owned aircraft from \$1.17 to \$1.15 and privately owned motorcycle from \$0.51 to \$0.505 to reflect the revised General Services Administration (GSA) rates. Historically, the state privately owned aircraft and motorcycle reimbursement rates have not exceeded the GSA rates.

In addition, we made minor technical corrections to the following Subsections:

Subsections 85.52.30.b and 85.52.40.b, we updated language related to the Local Government Investment Pool and External Investment Pools due to the implementation of GASB 79.

Subsection 85.80.10.b, we removed an illustrative reference.

Subsections 40.10.50, 40.30.10, 40.30.30, 85.36.20, and 85.50.50, as well as the SAAM Glossary, we replaced all references to stored value cards with prepaid debit cards.

Subsection 40.30.30.d and 85.36.20, we added clarifying language to the uses of Gift Cards, the State Charge Card system, and the Vehicle Fleet Credit Card sections.

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