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MEMORANDUM

TO: Department Heads and Chief Fiscal Officers
FROM: Charles Perusse, State Budget Director
RE: Change in IRS Mileage Rates Effective January 1, 2019

Effective January 1, 2019, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) has established new mileage rates based on an annual study of the fixed and variable costs of operating an automobile. The business standard rate increased from 54.5 cents per mile to 58.0 cents, and the medical or moving purposes rate increased from 18 cents per mile to 20 cents. Accordingly, and pursuant to G.S. 138-6(a)(1), the Office of State Budget and Management will adjust the allowable rate of reimbursement for travel by officers and employees on official state business.

The Travel Polices and Regulations section of the Budget Manual has been updated to reflect the new IRS mileage rates. Please review your department’s budget and travel policies to ensure that they are consistent with the revised Section 5.1.26. If you have specific questions regarding these changes, please contact your OSBM budget analyst at (919) 807-4700.