

State Treasurer Comment on Use of Fleet Vehicle

Treasurer Colleen C. Davis has released the following statement regarding her use of the office's designated fleet vehicle during the period of May through September, which included taking the vehicle to her residence without having submitted an authorization request to do so:

"I want to share my sincerest apologies for any concern that my use of a state fleet vehicle may have caused. My commitment to the public requires an open and honest dialogue with residents, one that simply cannot occur within the limits of our offices, one that requires my travel throughout the state. As a fiscal officer, I would never intentionally use state-owned property in a way that is inconsistent with state fleet vehicle policy and have now completed the relevant forms to use the vehicle outside of traditional working hours. Serving as an elected official, I am called to the highest level of professionalism, and I assure you that remains my goal. We are working with other officials to define unauthorized use. I plan to rectify the issue both procedurally and financially according to those findings."

Upon awareness of the policy discrepancy, the Treasurer's Office has worked to implement additional internal policies for staff that continue to encourage accessibility to the public while endeavoring to ensure adherence to relevant procedures. Per state policy, applicable individuals including the Treasurer will complete the imputed income forms by the end of October if their vehicle usage meets OMB requirements.