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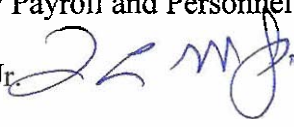
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MEMORANDUM

TO: All Department/Agency Payroll and Personnel Officers

FROM: Mr. Thomas L. White, Jr. 
State Comptroller
Alabama Department of Finance

RE: Reinstating AEA Dues and ASEA PAC Payroll Deductions

As you have been advised, payroll deductions for political action committee (PAC) contributions ended because of state laws that prohibit the use of state assets, including personnel time and equipment, for political activities. Alabama Education Association (AEA) and Alabama State Employee Association (ASEA) filed a lawsuit against this office's decision to stop payroll deductions for contributions to political action committees.

On September 15, 2010, the Montgomery County Circuit Court issued a preliminary order for reinstatement of AEA dues, which include A-VOTE contributions and ASEA PAC contributions through payroll deduction. That court order is on appeal to the Supreme Court and immediate relief has been requested. However, until the Supreme Court orders otherwise, the Circuit Court preliminary order must be obeyed. In accordance with the Circuit Court order, these payroll deductions will start again and be reflected in October 1 pay. This action is effective October 1, 2010, and remains in effect unless the Supreme Court sets the Circuit Court order aside.

Please advise your employees of this change to avoid misunderstanding. It is the responsibility of department/agency payroll and personnel officers to identify employees affected by this memorandum and notify them of the change.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. If you have any questions, please contact the GHR Hotline at 334-242-2188.

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CC: All Department/Agency Heads
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