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## Report Highlights

# St. James Parish Government Transportation Department

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### Why We Conducted This Audit

We received a complaint from St. James Parish Government (Parish) regarding a former transit system mechanic purchasing parts that could not be used on Parish vehicles. This audit was initiated to determine the validity of the complaint.

### What We Found

#### Improper Parts Purchases

Former Parish Transit mechanic Klay Becnel appears to have purchased \$11,053 in automobile and boat (vehicle) parts using Parish funds that do not fit Parish-owned vehicles Mr. Becnel repaired from March 2016 to February 2019. Mr. Becnel told us he used some of the parts on his personal vehicles. By purchasing parts with Parish funds for vehicles not owned by the Parish for his personal use, Mr. Becnel may have violated state law. Additionally, Mr. Becnel may have violated state law by submitting requisitions with false information to the Parish to purchase parts the Parish could not use.

View the full report, including management's response, at [www.la.gov](http://www.la.gov).