

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment - Education

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Budget Estimates 2014-2015**

Cross Portfolio

Department of Education Question No. ED0166_15

Senator Ludwig provided in writing.

Question

Ministerial Motor vehicle

1. Has the minister been provided with a motor vehicle since Additional Estimates in February, 2014? If so: a) What is the make and model? b) How much did it cost? c) When was it provided? d) Was the entire cost met by the department? If not, how was the cost met? e) What, if any, have been the ongoing costs associated with this motor vehicle? Please include costs such as maintenance and fuel. f) Are these costs met by the department? If not, how are these costs met? 2. Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine if a minister is entitled to a motor vehicle. a) Have these guidelines changed since Additional Estimates in February, 2014? If so, please detail. 3. Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine how a minister is to use a motor vehicle they have been provided with. Please include details such as whether the motor vehicle can be used for personal uses. a) Have these guidelines changed since Additional Estimates in February, 2014? If so, please detail.

Answer

1. The Minister has not been provided with a motor vehicle by the Department since Additional Estimates in February 2014.
2. The Guidelines, which address the costs and use of Ministerial vehicles are published on the DOF Site and are available via the following link:
http://maps.finance.gov.au/entitlements_handbooks/ministers-of-state/Part_Four_Travel_-_4.4_Car_Transport.asp
3. The guidelines have not changed since 7 September 2013.