

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES 2015-16

Finance Portfolio
9 February 2016

Department/Agency: Department of Finance

Outcome/Program: General

Topic: Ministerial motor vehicle

Senator: Ludwig

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Question:

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015, has the Minister been provided with or had access to a motor vehicle? If so:

1. What is the make and model?
2. How much did it cost?
3. When was it provided?
4. Was the entire cost met by the department? If not, how was the cost met?
5. What, if any, have been the ongoing costs associated with this motor vehicle? Please include costs such as maintenance and fuel.
6. Are these costs met by the department? If not, how are these costs met?
7. Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine if a minister is entitled to a motor vehicle.
8. Have these guidelines changed during the specified period of time? If so, please detail.
9. 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.
10. Have these guidelines changed during the specified period of time? If so, please detail.

Answer:

Yes, the Minister's access to a motor vehicle has not changed since 14 September 2015.

1. Ford Territory Titanium (2012).

2. Vehicle costs (GST inclusive) between 14 September 2015 and 9 February 2016 were as follows:

Lease costs	\$	3781.84
Fuel costs	\$	140.79
Maintenance Costs	\$	18.00
Total Costs	\$	3940.63

3. 14 February 2012.
4. Yes.
5. All maintenance costs are budgeted in the vehicle lease. All maintenance and fuel costs are included in answer '2'.
6. Yes.
7. Part 3, Section 7 of Procedural Rule No of 2015 – Car Transport.
http://www.finance.gov.au/sites/default/files/2015-1_Procedural_Rule.pdf
8. No.
9. Part 3, Section 7 of Procedural Rule No of 2015 – Car Transport.
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10. No.