

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

Group: 1

Program: Whole-of-Portfolio

Question: BE14/122

Senator Ludwig asked the following question at the hearing on 26-29 May 2014:

Outside of MoPS Act entitlements, have any of the Minister's staff been provided with 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 this entitlement to a motor vehicle.
8. Have these guidelines changed since September 7, 2013? If so, please detail.
9. Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine how a motor vehicle is to be used that 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 since September 7, 2013? If so, please detail.

The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

The Attorney-General's Department does not provide any vehicles to ministerial staff.

The provision of vehicles to ministers and their staff under the *Members of Parliament (Staff) Act 1984* is a matter for the Department of Finance.