

**Senate Economics Legislation Committee**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Treasury Portfolio**

Additional Estimates

2015 - 2016

**Department/Agency: ABS**

**Question: AET 824-826**

**Topic: Hire cars**

**Reference: written - 19 February 2016**

**Senator: Ludwig, Joe**

**Question:**

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

824. How much did each department/agency spend on hire cars during the specified period? Provide a breakdown of each business group in each department/agency.

825. What are the reasons for hire car costs?

826. How much did the department spend on hire cars during the specified period for their minister or minister's office?

**Answer:**

824. The cost of hire cars for the period of 14 September 2015 to 19 February 2016 was \$100,090 (excluding GST).

825. Hire cars are used for business purposes, predominantly in the effective delivery of the Household Surveys and the Prices Programs; this includes travel to remote areas.

826. Nil.