

Senate Economics Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Treasury Portfolio
Budget Estimates 2014
3 June to 5 June 2014

Department/ Agency: Treasury

Question: BET974

Topic: Ministerial Motor Vehicle

Reference: Written – 12 June 2014

Senator: Ludwig

Question:

974. 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?
 - g) Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine if a minister is entitled to a motor vehicle.
 - h) Have these guidelines changed since Additional Estimates in February, 2014? If so, please detail.
 - i) 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.
 - j) Have these guidelines changed since Additional Estimates in February, 2014? If so, please detail.

Answer:

974. Treasury manages the vehicle for the Minister for Small Business, the Hon Bruce Billson
- a. Holden Cruz Sedan (2013)
 - b. The department leases the vehicle on behalf of the Minister. This lease is for 2 years at a cost of \$10,057 (GST exclusive) per annum.
 - c. 3 October 2013
 - d. The department will meet the cost of the lease and associated running costs.

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Ongoing Expenses 1.3.2014 – 31.5.2014	
Lease	\$1,336
Car Insurance	\$133
Repairs	\$194
Fuel	\$0
Other costs/Management Fees	\$37
Total	\$1,700

f. Yes refer answer (d)

g. Refer to the Ministers' of State Entitlements Handbook Part 4 –
http://maps.finance.gov/entitlements_hanbooks/ministers-of-state/Part_Four_Travel

h. No

i. Refer to the Ministers' of State Entitlements Handbook Part 4 –
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j. No