

**Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment - Education**

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

**Cross Portfolio**

**Department of Education Question No. ED0488\_15**

**Senator Ludwig provided in writing.**

**Question**

**Dept & All Agencies: Ministerial Motor vehicle**

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014: 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 since Additional Estimates in February, 2014? 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 since Additional Estimates in February, 2014? If so, please detail.

**Answer**

The Minister has not been provided with a motor vehicle by the department since Budget Estimates in June 2014.

The guidelines, which address the costs and use of ministerial vehicles, are published on the Department of Finance internet 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](http://maps.finance.gov.au/entitlements_handbooks/ministers-of-state/Part_Four_Travel_-_4.4_Car_Transport.asp)

The guidelines were last updated on 9 October 2014.