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Senator: Senator Nova Peris **Question reference number:** 77

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Question:

Senator PERIS: I think I asked the minister a question once before about providing funding for transportation. A lot of communities raised a concern about wanting kids to get to school but they were borrowing buses. Where are we at with that? Can you give a figure of how much or what you have done in terms of providing that?

Answer:

There has been approximately \$3.81 million paid to providers to meet costs associated with buses, four wheel drives, troop carriers, people movers and car/bus leases, helping to reduce barriers to attendance.