

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**BUDGET ESTIMATES 2014-2015**

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

**Department/Agency:** Office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman

**Outcome/Program:**

Outcome 1. Fair and accountable administrative action by Australian Government agencies by investigating complaints, reviewing administrative action and inspecting statutory compliance by law enforcement agencies.

**Topic:** Ministerial Motor Vehicle

**Senator:** Senator Ludwig

**Question reference number:** 326

**Type of question:** Written

**Date set by the committee for the return of answer:** 11 July 2014

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**Question:**

- (1) 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:**

- (1) The Special Minister of State will answer on behalf of all Prime Minister and Cabinet portfolio agencies.