

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

Budget Estimates 26 May-6 June 2014

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

**Department/Agency:** Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

**Outcome/Program:** 1.1 Prime Minister and Cabinet

**Topic:** Ministerial staff vehicles (Non MoPS)

**Senator:** Senator the Hon Joe Ludwig

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**Question:**

Outside of MoPS Act entitlements, have any of the Minister's staff 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 this entitlement 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 motor vehicle is to be used that 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:**

No, the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet has no role in providing cars to ministerial staff employed under the *Members of Parliament (Staff) Act 1984*.